

People and Things of Public Interest

MICHAEL J. DONNELLY is another of the labor leaders who has been projected into the circle of publicity by events. He is the president of the Amalgamated Association of Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America and as such is the general commanding the forces now on strike in the great packing centers of the country. Mr. Donnelly is a young man, but has a thorough acquaintance with the practical working of the industry, having been employed in all the various departments that come under the scope of his union. When he worked in South Omaha he was looked upon as one of the most skillful and rapid workmen in the country, and performed some wonderful feats with his knife in prize contests. He has developed great executive ability and has led his men through a gallant fight with less of disorder and clashing with the law than ever marked a similar struggle. He visited Omaha last Sunday to look over the situation and counsel with the leaders here. While at South Omaha he delivered two addresses to the strikers, and during the progress of one was photographed by a Bee staff artist.

Harry B. Long of Council Bluffs is somewhat handicapped in his battle through life by being deprived of the sense of hearing and the faculty of speech, but he has a spirit that soars above these hindrances and by his natural capacity as a hustler has pushed himself well to the front. During the last few weeks when The Bee was offering a number of trips to the World's fair at St. Louis to be voted for, young Mr. Long made up his mind that he would have one of them. He started his hustle, and so well did he succeed that he finished second in the contest. It is some food for wonderment to think what he might have done had he been gifted as other young men are with keen hearing and a glib and persuasive tongue. But he has won his trip, and will make his visit to the St. Louis exposition on a ticket furnished by The Bee.

William A. Faulkner, late of Lincoln, Neb., had the distinction of being the only man to win a bet from William J. Bryan, the outcome of the wager depending on Mr. Bryan's election to the presidency. Dr. A. O. Faulkner, the head physician for the Modern Woodmen of America, is a close neighbor of Mr. Bryan, and between the families a friendly intimacy exists. William Faulkner, father of the doctor, lived with his son, and one day when Mr. Bryan was at the Faulkner house the talk turned on the approaching election. Mr. Faulkner twitted Mr. Bryan with his approaching defeat, and finally offered to wager him that he would be beaten at the polls. Both men were enthusiastic admirers of chickens, and the Faulkner Games and the Bryan Shanghais had a local reputation. As the outcome of the talk Mr. Bryan agreed to risk a rooster, and so the bet was concluded. Some time after election a fine Shanghai chanticleer was delivered to the Faulkner home, where he still thrives, rejoicing in the name of Billum J. Mr. Faulkner has since died. His photograph and this incident is furnished The Bee by his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Campbell of 2523 Corby street, Omaha, who says her father never tired of telling the story on Bryan. Mr. Bryan has since related it on himself.

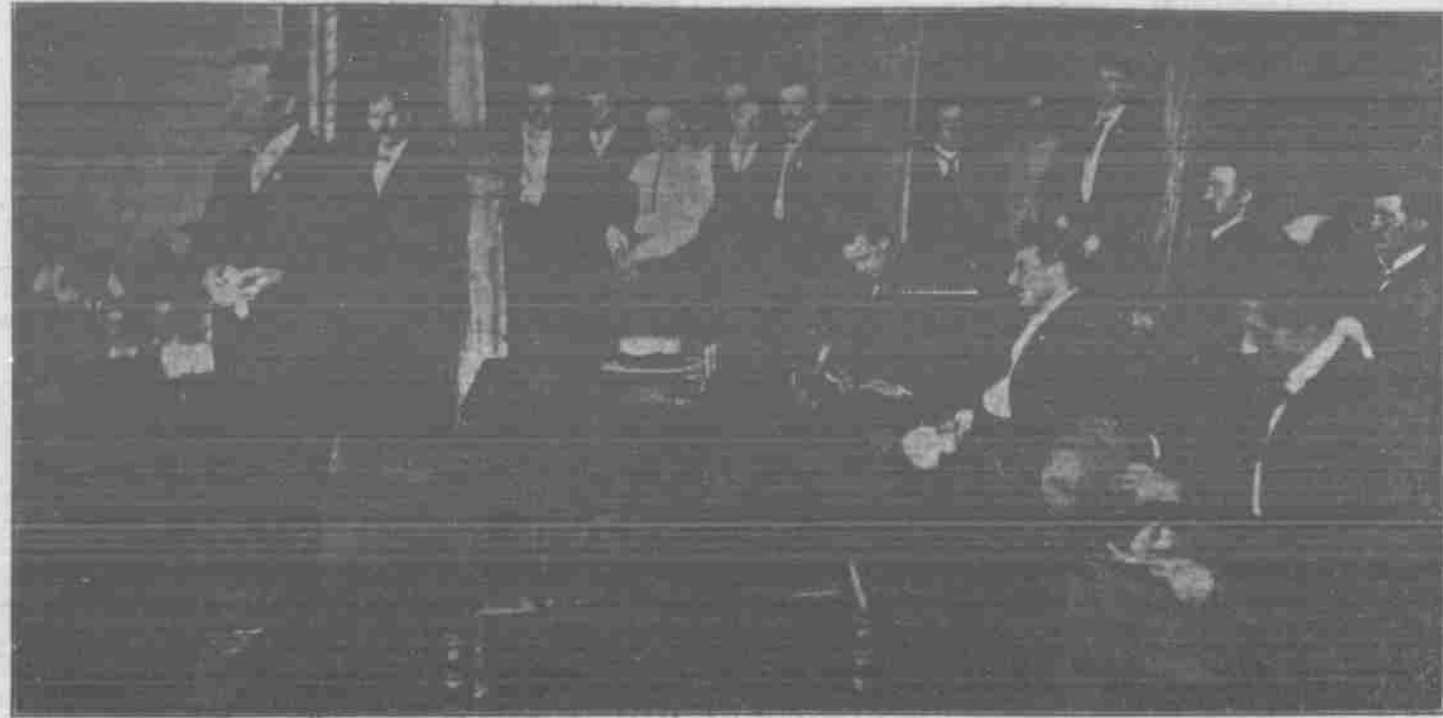
Joe Meyer, the son of M. Meyer, is one of Omaha's promising young musicians. At the recent picnic of the Landwehr Verelns in Omaha he was on the program for a solo, and acquitted himself with grace and credit. Albin Huster, the well known violinist and conductor, is on record as saying that the young man has talent that will yet make him famous.

Co-Operative Home

The T B club, an organization of some of Philadelphia's successful women who work, which has recently bought and furnished a handsome, commodious mansion in the most select part of the city, owns also a fine old country place within an easy trolley ride from the business part of the city. To this summer home, known as Chanpost, the girls emigrate as soon as warm weather comes. It is in a beautiful parklike stretch of country, and is one of the many old-fashioned mansions which have survived the elements and the outward reach of the Quaker City's growing suburbs.

Here, as in their city home, these girls have a housekeeper, a cook, a laundress and a chambermaid. Each girl has a latch key and her expenses vary with the size of her room. Both houses are run on the home plan, and the girls come and go as they please, entertain their friends, have the privilege of running down to the laundry and doing up a fine waist or expensive handkerchief just as they would in their own homes. All who take lunch to their places of business have it put up for them at the club.

This organization started originally with ten women, all wage earners, who had



PRESIDENT M. J. DONNELLY OF THE PACKING HOUSE UNIONS ADDRESSING A MEETING OF STRIKERS AT SOUTH OMAHA.—Photo by a Staff Artist.

tried the various phases of boarding house life, working women's homes and the three-jolly-maids-in-a-flat idea, and had found them all wanting so far as real home life was concerned. Thanks to the intrepidity and business tact of the revolters, a plan was soon perfected whereby they were able to rent and furnish a little place of their own, to which they succeeded in imparting a real home atmosphere. Their pleasure was so genuine that soon other weary-hearted working women begged admittance and a larger house was taken.

Finally so many women asked to be admitted that the present mansion was purchased and another rented as an overflow home. To gain admittance to the club now a girl must be recommended by one of its members. She is then allowed to join the community on a month's probation. At the end of that time, if everything is satisfactory, the probationer becomes a full-fledged T B.—Good Housekeeping.

Millions of Horseshoes

"Two million kegs, containing 160,000,000 horseshoes, are used annually in the United States and Canada, approximately speaking," said S. L. Martin of Boston, who represents an iron manufacturing concern of the east.

"That was about the number used last year, and all the hue and cry about rubber shoes and automobiles is raised in the face of a constantly increasing sale of horseshoes. As a matter of fact, the use of rubber horseshoes, which is confined almost altogether to the large cities, is a help to manufacturers. The sale of the old-fashioned shoes goes on increasing, and in addition to that the manufacturers have an opportunity to make the steel portion of rubber shoes. All so-called rubber shoes have a rim of steel in them, and it is usually of better metal and gives the manufacturer a wider berth for profits than the old-fashioned shoe."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Hard on the Lawyers

Jacob H. Schiff, who was instrumental in bringing a part of the Japanese war loan to America, was talking to a reporter about his recent European tour.

"London's courts of law have always interested me," he said, "and I revisited them last month for about the tenth time. One Q. C. whom I happened to meet there told me how Peter the Great had once gone through the law courts. He said Peter, at the end of his inspection, said:

"These men are all lawyers? What can be the use of so many? I have only two in my empire, and I mean to hang one of them as soon as I return."

Powwow of Indians

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had to go to the other side of the village for his wife. The division was carried into the council, and, in fact, through all the life of the Indians. The traditions of the tribe are being preserved by the older men and women, but it seems certain that the progress the tribe has made in ways of civilization will soon wipe out even the slight trace of barbarism that now finds its expression in the annual powwow.

America's Columns

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will ultimately help support the immense dome, that there seems to be nothing remarkable about them as to cost or size. The keystone of the arch stands 106 feet above ground and the pillars supporting the arch are fifty-four feet apart, which is the length of a column, while its largest end, which is six feet across, is not so large



WILLIAM MCCORMACK, THE YOUNG MAN WHO DREW THE FIRST CLAIM ON THE ROSSBUD RESERVATION.



WILLIAM FALKNER OF LINCOLN, WHO WON A ROOSTER FROM BRYAN ON AN ELECTION BET.



HARRY B. LONG OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, WHO WON A TRIP TO ST. LOUIS IN THE BEE'S CONTEST.



ALBIN HUSTER, THE WELL KNOWN CONDUCTOR AND VIOLINIST, AND JOE MYER, A BOY OF UNUSUAL TALENT.—Photo by a Staff Artist.

by several feet as the breadth of a side of one of these gigantic pillars, each destined to bear a weight of 37,000,000 pounds, or one-fourth the weight of the tower, which will rise to a height of 435 feet.

The columns are being set in a semi-circle and the distance between the end columns will be just the length of one of them. Even in mass they will still look dwarfed into the commonplace by the mas-

sive piles of rough work surrounding them. They will undoubtedly not look their size in the finished choir, which is to be 120 feet long, have an area of 6,480 square feet and a dome with a ninety-six-foot span 108 feet above ground. Yet its columns will be one of the things for which the cathedral of St. John the Divine will be famous for many a generation.

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