## REAT COLISEUM IS READY FOR DEMOS

ats Arranged For Ten Thousand Persons in Big Octagonal Building at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., June 3 - The demoatic national convention which as mbles here on June 14, will be the st political convention to be held the St. Louis Coliseum. The first blic meeting in this building was in e presidential campaign of ien William H. Tatt, republican minee, spoke there. At that time c Coliseum was not completed. Fifn thousand persons crowded into structure for this opening

The Coliseum was built in 1907-1908 cost of \$336,000. As arranged for democratic national convention it seat approximately 10,000 perns. This seating capacity is obtain-

On the platform are 512 seats, In e section for daily newspaper corondents and press associations 472 seats. Sections set apart for the editors

democratic weekly papers in Misuri and Illinois will accommodate more persons. Seats will be provided for 1,078 delrates and the same number of alter-

tes, though there may be some ight change in these figures in case e states send extra delegates with fractional vote. In the boxes are seating accomodations for 546, in the arena bal-

ony 2,494 and in the balcony 3,400. This makes a totar of 9,818. Extra eats placed wherever possible troughout the building bring the stal seating capacity to about 10,000. The building is so designed that tere is room on the arena floor only r the delegates, alternates and the aily and weekly newspaper men.

Building is an Octagon.

The Coliseum is an octagon, coniderably narrowed at one end by a lagonal side wall. The greatest ength of the building is from north south, and its narrowest dimension om east to west has been railed off or the platform and press sections. he platform is forty feet wide, and mmediately back of the speakers' tand and the tables for tellers and lerks, a platform extension rises to he rear of the upper balcony. This xtension contains seats for 512 perthe national committee, and the embers of the committee and their

Around the arena floor on three des are the boxes, which are reerved for specially invited guestsarty leaders of prominence, diplo-

That part of the public which is or fortunate enough to have plat-orm box seats is to be accommodated the arena balcony, which rises imsediately from the boxes, and in the alcony, which corresponds to the cond gallery in most public halls.

The total number of seats available or the public therefore is 5,894, and he distribution of part of these is illotted to the St. Louis committee which raised the \$100,000 convention

ck of the speakers' platform, are the and Baron Heyl zu Hernsheim. ay through this section was abanned, and by order of the mayor an lley in the rear of the Coliseum was acted, and covered with and awning. nis serves as a passageway. A pasunder the platform leads press sections on the arena the work and telegraph

On the north side of the buildinghe Washington avenue side-is a large emergency hospital; on the south side are the rooms of the demacratic national committee, and on he east-or Jefferson avenue-side s the room of the sergeant-at-arms, and the convention postoffice.

Walls Painted White.

The decorations of the Coliseum were designed by Edward C. Dillman Louis. In order to obtain as such daylight as possible, the walls of the Coliseum have been painted white. To get the full benefit of this reflection if was necessary to exlude decorations from the walls. The ecorations, accordingly, have been placed around the front of the balony and boxes and on the supportng columns that run around the

Plaster relief medallions of Wash Jefferson, Jackson, Cleveland and Wilson, each 4 by 3 feet, are place ed on the supporting columns clear around the building, and each medal on is surrounded by American flags The columns are covered with bi ng, and the boxes are hung with the national colors. To improve the ligh reflection, 6,000 yards of white muslin cover the ceiling, except for a strip fown the center which is hung in national colors. Altogether 30,000 yards of bunting used in the decoration of the convention hall and 600 to 700 American flags. The platform, of course, is draped with bunting and

The Western Union Telegraph company has a cable of 100 wires into the Coliseum, and the Postal Telegraph company has more than fifty. These wires do not include the leased wires of the press associations, but are for private and newspaper tele-

I'wo hundred to 300 policemen will he assigned to the Coliseum during onvention sessions to preserve order and block activities by pickpockets. The St. Louis Coliseum is on Jelfavanta avenue, between Washington scenue and Locust street. It is two niles west of the retail husiness district and from the Planters hotel where man of the party leaders will he quartered during the convention t in a mile west of the Jefferson south where the democratic national infilmittee is housed, and is about there-quarters of a mile north and west of Union station. The Colineum is about five minutes' car ride from the Jefferson hotel and ten minutes from the center of the business dis-

HAS BEEN NEITHER TARDY NOR ABSENT IN FOUR YEARS.



MATILDA PINNOW

Matilda Pinnow, eighth B girl of ng A's in all of her studies this school year. In addition to that absent nor tardy during four consecutive years at this school.

She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. red Pinnow of 3462 South Fif-

Teachers of the Edward Rosewater

## Socialists Do Not Hold Top Strength in the Reichstag

Correspondence of the Associated Press.) Berlin, May 25.—Through its internal dissensions, culminating in the lier, chaplain of the civil hospital of secession of the eighteen members Arras, was killed by a shell while led by Haase, the social-democratic seeking to save his pattents during a ms. These seats were distributed party in the Reichstag has lost its bombardment of Arras. Chaplain Dustanding as the strongest party of breuil died at the extreme point of the house, a place now occupied by positions conquered by the zouaves nembers of the committee and their the house, a place now occupied by positions conquered by the zouaves the Center, with ninety-one members. with whom he went to the assault. The socialists follow with eighty-nine, and the new "German faction," a and the Abbe Pouch, who fell, members, has twenty-seven. The first aid to a general of bri Alliance," the Haase-Bernstein seceders, have eighteen members each.
The smaller parties — Alsatians, cital of an experience "We celebrated Danes, Poles, etc.—attach themselves Easter under the shrappel, within 300 to various groups. Four members of ance and have no committee assignments. These are Liebknecht and Ruchle, socialists, and two members

strength indicates. Four distinct groups can be counted within the These are: (1) The radicals, liebknecht and Reuhle, whose conection with the party is only no inal; (2) the recent seceders, led by Hasse; (3) the Hoch-Simon group, ncluding twenty members, who are opposed to further war credits, but, submissive to the will of the party caucus, leave the Reichstag chamber o avoid voting; (4) the majority, bout seventy men, who are still, as formerly, in favor of further was redits and stand so far on the right of their part that the radical mempers accuse of them of having abanfoned ancient socialist principles.

ENGLISH RABBIT CATCHING CHAMP TO THE TRENCHES

London, June 1.-A man who decribed himself as a professional rab, oit catcher and with some experience its since August. His plea was denied on the ground that he would make an excellent rat catcher for the

PROTEST AGAINST PRIESTS AT FRONT

Campaign by French Anti-Clerical Element Brings Work to Public Notice.

MANY FALL ON BATTLE FIELDS

radical and socialist parties against the work which these priests have done and are doing at the front.

produce for priests even the "privi-lege" of going to the front. Prior to war at that time provided in a decree priests, a Protestant pastor and a rabbi should be attached to each group of stretcher-bearers of an army orps, and two Catholic chaplains to each division which had no stretcher-

Thus about 100 priests and half as many Protestants and Israelites were authorized to accompany the army When war began, Count Albert de Mun, since deceased, obtained from dward Rosewater school, has at the minister of war authorization for tained the exceptional record of gain- priests to enlist as chaplains with the approval of their bishops up to the number of 250 in addition. Count Paul Pourtles obtained the same favor for eighty more Protestant pastors, while sixteen additional rabbis were named.

Many Deaths Reported. has not yet been counted, for besides twenty feet in height. chool are very proud of this bright the chaplains there are several thouwhen he tendered a crucifix to a for a Catholic priest. The Abbe Vilseeking to save his pattents during a

Three chaplains gave up their lives and the national liberals and radicals during the battle of Champagne; the are tied for third place with forty-five Abbe Thinot struck by a shell while members each. The conservatives, digging out men buried by the ex-with forty-four members, are fifth, plosion of a mine; the Abbe Perrot coalition of free conservatives and a former while looking after a fallen few so-called "wild" or partyless soldier and the latter while giving The first aid to a general of brigade A chaplain from the region of Ver-

yards of the German trenches, the Reichstag owe no party allegi- the Credo was saluted by a fussillade. Our trenches had been converted into green bowers with flowers and tvy of the right, Schultz of Bromberg, stations had been marked with cros-On the west side of the Collection, are the back of the speakers' platform, are the work rooms for the press associations and the telegraph companies. As this space, as originally planned, proved the press associations are the solemn procession. At half past the solemn procession. At half past is, temporarily at least, more badly disrupted than its apparent voting the blood spurted out just as the last two narrow to accommodate the press. ses in the communicating trench for amount to be pumped the solemn procession. At half past 7,000,000,000 cubic teet. two, just as I had confessed my last There are many steam pumping penitent, a buller hit him in the neck stations throughout the district. his brave eyes toward me and murmured: 'You have cared for the body. now look after the soul." a prayer that went with his departing soul, while the blood flowed ones. upon my cross and cassock. It was in that condition that I proceeded on the road to the cross, and at the twelfth station I offered the pure vermillion blood of that brave son of France to Christ and with all my heart I said: 'Our Lord, that blood

Wins His Decorations. Bishop Ruch, as chaplain of a section of stretcher bearers of the corps, was decorated with the Legion of Honor and the war cross on the field of battle, and cited in orders as Charles Ruch, bishop, effaced himself in spite of his eminent dignity and gave proofs in a modest post of untiring activity and devotion, notably in the latest combats, visitratting, claimed exemption from ing the first line trenches, seeking nilitary duty on the ground that his for wounded on the line of fire, and ervices were invaluable to his country. He said he had killed 10,000 rab hospitals. His calm courage has ac-

Germans, where there was a church

riddled by shells, the chaplain of the victorious regiment decided to say mass while the shells were screeching to right and left. A projectile crashed through the only window remaining intact, smashed the altar, and threw the chaplain and his assistants to the Fragments of the shell struck the priest in the head, while another broke his right arm at the elbow and another at the wrist.

For the chaplain as well as for the ombatant, heroism is the small change of every-day existence at the Paris, May 27.-A campaign by the is fighting. He often falls under the extreme anti-clerical elements of the shells and bullets, and frequently reaps the same reward for gallant conduct as that of the fighting so the presence of priests at the battle fronts in daily contact with soldiers priest at the beginning of the war, has brought sharply into public notice the work which these priests have the priests have the beginning of the kegion of the war, and which these priests have under a heavy shelling, with suffo-It required a special intervention to cating gas projectiles, dressed their oduce for priests even the "privi- wounds and carried them to shelter, He was wounded in the head and arm May, 1913, no chaplains were pro- by a shell that exploded three yards vided for the army. The minister of away; he stopped only to wipe the blood from his eyes; an instant later that in case of war two Catholic a heavy projectile upheaved a section priests, a Protestant pastor and a of the French trenches and buried two officers and six men; Abbe Henrocque, while crying for help, dug un-til he flad saved one officer and four of the soldiers.

TO PUMP OUT ZUIDER ZEE Project That Will Cost Holland Ninety Million Dollars if Par-

The problem of removing the water from the flooded district of north Holland has revived the project of drying the Zuider Zee, writes Com-mercial Attache Erwin W. Thompson from The Hague, and a bill is now before the Netherlands Parliament for appropriating money for this The cost is estimated at \$90. The number of priests who have 000,000. The principal dam would be given their lives on the field of battle about fifteen miles long, averaging

One of the most important results sand priests incorporated in the auxil-iary services, or who volunteered for er Zee would be that the new dame active service. A great many deaths, would take the place of the several however, have been reported among hundred miles of dikes that now prothe chaplains under heroic circum-stances. Rabbi Abraham Bloch was fatally wounded at Saint-Die by a fragment of a shell at the moment when he tendered a crucifix to a wounded soldier who had taken him the latter until it sometimes breaks for a Catholic priest. The Abbe Villover the protecting dikes and inunlier, chaplain of the civil hospital of dates the low polders or meadows.

The flooded district in north Hol land, which has brought up the Zuid er Zee project, comprises 40,000 acres This territory is all below sea level and is protected from the North Sea by a line of natural sand dunes for most of the distance, and along other stretches by heavy dikes built larely of granite. On the east side, however province is protected from the Zuider Zee by a line of earth embank ments. The January storm broke through these embankments in several places and inundated the country

The provincial authorities are now engaged in repairing these breaks it the embankments or dikes, and a soon as these are completed they will begin pumping out the flood water The arrangement of locks and sluices s such that at low tide in the North Sea, and sometimes in the Zuider Zee, the water can be drained out to a certain level, but below that it must be pumped. The average height to which the water must be lifted is only three to four feet, but the total

gave him first aid, and then he turned the low districts and for pumping water into the high level canals to be supplemented by many new

If the bill for drying the Zuider Zee is passed by the Netherlands Parliment, it is possible that American contractors may be called upon to build the dams and do the pump-

## WOULD DEVELOP CONTROL OF FINGERS ON ARTIFICIAL HAND

Correspondence of the Associated Press ! Zurich, Switzerland, June 1.—Three professors of Zurich university have een experimenting in the hope of training the muscles in the stumps of amputated arms to connect with open and close the fingers. Prof. Sauerbach, one of the professors, states in a German medical magazine that the anatomical difficulties have been overcome so effectually that all that is now required for com plete success is a somewhat better artificial hand, and he expresses ex In a little sector taken from the pectation that this soon will be in

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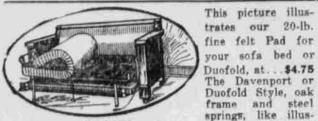
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