

PORTLAND WOMAN ACCOINATED WITH FIRST OF NURSES

Mrs. R. B. Knight Guest of Florence Nightingale's Sister When Great Woman Was There.

It is a far cry from Florence Nightingale, of whom today marks the centennial birthday anniversary, to the Pacific Northwest, yet there is one little woman in Portland today who knew Miss Nightingale and was intimately associated with many of the friends of the noted nurse.

Mrs. R. B. Knight, 235 Chapman street, mother of Mrs. Edith Knight Holmes Hill, local newspaper woman, met Florence Nightingale back in the 'seventies, while she was a house guest at the mansion of Lady Harry Verney of Buckinghamshire, Eng. Lord Verney was a member of parliament and Lady Verney was fond of entertaining as was her sister, Florence Nightingale, of nursing. Her spacious grounds, all laid out in hedges and gardens, and her big rooms in the fine old stone palace, were the scenes of much gaiety and social functions of all sorts.

MISS NIGHTINGALE PRESENT

Mrs. Knight was a little budding social butterfly attending a private school for girls, for whom the big-hearted Lady Verney gave a lawn fete at which her sister, Miss Nightingale, assisted. Lady Verney, says Mrs. Knight, while she was more socially inclined than her sister, had the same characteristic of kind-heartedness which responded to kindly demands upon her attention.

Later when Mrs. Knight abandoned the social butterfly life to become a nurse under the direction of Sister Dora, she often heard of the great Florence Nightingale who had trained with Sister Dora and was an intimate friend of hers. Messages came to them of the work of Florence Nightingale and of the honors showered upon her.

It was while in Paris in Warsaw during the Franco-Prussian war that Mrs. Knight received a message by balloon post, then a rare thing, from some friends in Paris whose names she had forgotten except that they were relatives of the Nightingale family, saying they were so starved for food they were just ready to eat their pet puppy dog.

HAD STRENUOUS EXPERIENCE Mrs. Knight recalls some strenuous experiences she had while nursing with Sister Dora. Into many names she has the tenement district of Warsaw they went at night where no policeman dared go, caring and tending sick and wounded. At one time there were many killed and wounded in a mining explosion. One man, an Irishman, died and a post-mortem examination was held. The Irish, said Mrs. Knight, were strongly opposed to post-mortems and a mob sprang up, a howling mob that surrounded the hospital and threatened all sorts of evils. Mrs. Knight, still in her teens, was sent outside to hold back the mob. She said her prayers as she went out, but she held her ground. She held the mob back, she talked to them of the accident and of the condition of the various patients within the hospital.

ECAPES OTHER 639 Finally came word that 20 of the victims' immediate relatives might be admitted. As they thronged into the hospital, the doctors made their escape out the window.

Mrs. Knight finally decided hospital life and nursing were too strenuous for her, so one day as she went out to the big gate in just her felt slippers to get the mail, she received a bunch of banknotes, tossed the remainder of the mail over the gate and went to the railroad station garbed just as she was. Thus did she leave the nursing profession.

She got some more clothes and sailed for America, winding up at a mining camp in Colorado where there were only six women to 600 men. Proposals came so thick and fast that as she facetiously remarked, she "finally married one to get rid of the other 599." Then came Oregon and ranch life until her 6-year-old daughter told her one day she "didn't know nothing now," when Mrs. Knight deemed it advisable to remove to Portland where educational advantages might be had.

Canadian Company Forfeits \$13,000 for Failure on Contract

Walla Walla, Wash., May 15.—Because the Crown Paving company of Calgary, Alberta, failed to produce surety bonds, that corporation has forfeited its contract for the eight miles of concrete paving between Walla Walla and the Oregon state line, together with its check for \$13,000, given as its evidence of good faith in making the contract with the Walla Walla county commissioners for the work. The contract for this paving will go to the Independent Asphalt company of Seattle, the second lowest bidder for the work. The terms of the Crown Paving company to produce satisfactory bonds will make the road in question cost Walla Walla county \$30,000 more than the \$17,000 which its contract called for. The road in question is to be 18 feet wide.

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Mrs. Hoover Talented Woman Glory Not Reflected One

By Edna Haber Church



Mrs. Herbert Hoover

Washington, May 15.—(I. N. S.)—From Red House to White House—it sounds like some new sort of an idea of a futurist architect—is the step Mrs. Herbert Hoover will make if her husband becomes the president of the United States. Red House is the old English manor house in Kensington, England, where the Hoovers lived and came into world fame as relief workers. A real veteran of two wars and a traveler to the remote corners of the world, Mrs. Hoover would bring to the White House one of the most distinguished careers of any "first lady" who ever reigned.

Miss Lou Henry was born in Monterey, Cal., and became Mrs. Herbert Hoover after she had met the young student of geology at Leland Stanford university. Both were star students of geology, and their brilliant translations of geological work, which they collaborated in, are responsible for their reputation in the scientific world.

When his work as a mining engineer carried him into unknown lands Mr. Hoover found his wife a ready companion. Through Asia, Australia and even portions of Africa they have traveled together. When they went through the Boxer rebellion together they had their first taste of war, which served them in good stead when they found themselves great figures in the world's relief work, and they witnessed the raids of the German airmen over London and the continental towns where they directed relief work.

Mrs. Hoover is of medium height, of slender, well-outlined, with brown hair somewhat tinged with gray, twinkling blue eyes and a straight mouth that curves into a merry smile. Mrs. Hoover doesn't want to live in the White House, her friends say. She prefers a more secluded home where she may romp with her two sons.

'Crying' Infant Is Deeded Away; Law Officers Interfere

Sacramento, Cal., May 15.—(I. N. S.)—Through intervention of county authorities an attempt of parents to "deed" their 3-year-old baby girl to foster parents was frustrated. The child's cries annoyed the parents, Deputy District Attorney Farrell said, and caused them to give the baby away.

According to the authorities, Mr. and Mrs. George Elmer, formerly "deeders" of their child to Mr. and Mrs. J. Hildebrand. The baby was taken from its foster parents by the authorities when they learned they were planning to leave on a three-months' outing trip subjecting the child to the hardships of camp life.

Deputy District Attorney Farrell declared such a "deed" as made by the Floris family is unrecognized by law.

Island of Toboga Needed for Defense of Panama Canal

Washington, May 15.—The war department has sent a memorandum to the state department declaring that possession by the United States of the island of Toboga, at the Pacific entrance of the Panama canal, is necessary to the defense of the canal. The state department has taken the matter up with the government of Panama and that government has expressed sympathy towards the proposal, but has asked that as small a portion of the islands as possible be taken. The matter is being worked out by diplomatic representatives in Panama.

Sen. Comer Charges Gambling in Cotton On Stock Exchange

Washington, May 15.—(I. N. S.)—Gambling in cotton on the exchange for the purpose of making money out of the variations in price was charged in the senate by Senator Comer, Democrat of Alabama.

Paris Hand Paints Walls; Wall Paper Is Scarce and High

Paris, May 15.—Hand painted walls are being used everywhere in Paris today because of the scarcity and high price of wall paper.

Some painters and tableau artists from the Latin quarter are employed at a daily wage which does nearly approximate the cost of the new paper, which has advanced more than eight

COURT ADJOURNS IN RESPECT FOR DECEASED BAILIFF

For the first time in the history of Multnomah county courts, official notice was taken Saturday of the death of an attaché. This was in the court of Circuit Judge Morrow, where M. J. Morse, who died last Saturday, had been a bailiff for 10 years.

The court convened in formal session and immediately C. M. Idemaan, former attorney general, "suggested" to the court the absence of Bailiff Morse and moved that he be excused from further duty in this tribunal, on the ground that he had been summoned to a higher court.

This motion was supported by District Attorney Evans and Chief Deputy District Attorney Hammerly. Each paid glowing tributes to the worth of Morse as a citizen and patriot.

Other touching tributes were given by Henry Westbrook, Ralph Dunway, Rev. C. E. Cline, Dr. J. E. Hall, Tony Miller, R. W. Montague, George L. Rauch, Judge Kanzer, L. N. Smith and Comrade McKay for the G. A. R.

Southern Baptists Double Membership In Last 25 Years

Washington, May 15.—(I. N. S.)—James E. Gambrell of Fort Worth and Dallas, Texas, was reelected president of the Southern Baptists' association for the fourth time in annual convention here. Other officers elected were:

Vice presidents, Judge E. H. Harris, Fulton Mo.; the Rev. John E. White, Anderson, S. C.; the Rev. W. W. Landrum, Louisville, Ky.; J. H. Anderson, Nashville, Tenn. Secretaries, Herbert C. Moore, Nashville, Tenn.; Joseph H. Burnett, Macon, Ga. Treasurer, George H. Norton, Louisville, Ky.

Reports of rapid growth of the convention were given at the opening session by Dr. Hight C. Moore, one of the secretaries. During the last 25 years, the report showed, there has been a growth of from 997 local churches to 25,303 with an increase in membership from 1,431,041 to 2,961,348. Receipts for home missions in 1919 totaled \$88,000 as against \$1,559,000 this year. Receipts of Sunday school board in 1919 were \$46,000 as against \$84,000 for the present year.

Senate Puts Query On Peace Treaty

Washington, May 15.—(I. N. S.)—The secretary of state is requested to inform the senate if any provision is made in the peace treaty for the termination of the British protectorate over Egypt in a resolution introduced in the Senate by Senator Owen, of Oklahoma.

Solution for High Cost Is Said to Lie In Transportation

San Francisco, May 15.—(I. N. S.)—"The solution of the high cost of living lies largely in the solution of the nation's transportation problem."

This was the declaration of R. M. Calkins, vice president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, addressing the seventh National Foreign Trade convention.

"American railroads—the best and most efficient in the world—today are practically four years behind the industrial progress of the country. Approximately 450,000 box cars are needed immediately to adequately take care of the industrial production of the country," he said.

"Whereas congress has provided a revolving fund of \$300,000,000 to meet the equipment needs of the railroads, a minimum of a billion and a half dollars are needed right now to bring the equipment up to the pressing needs of our industries," he added.

Some of the results of the transportation shortage, Mr. Calkins summed up as follows: Thousands of tons of steel are lying in the yards at Johnston, Pa., and other eastern steel centers unable to be transported.

Half of last year's wheat crop of the state of Kansas is still to be transported. Millions of feet of lumber urgently needed all over the country to solve the housing problem are piled up in northwestern lumbering states with no immediate prospect of being moved.

The great melon crop of the Imperial valley, California, now ripening, may go to waste because of lack of cars to move it.

Poland Will Fight Bolsheviki Alone, Minister Declares

By A. L. Bradford (United Press Staff Correspondent) Washington, May 15.—(U. P.)—Poland is fighting the fight of the world against Bolshevism, but it will continue alone without asking the aid of the allies or the United States, Prince Casimir Lubomirski, Polish minister here, declared in an interview today.

Prince Lubomirski is next in order of the foreign diplomats waiting to present their credentials to President Wilson. He will probably lay the Polish situation before the president when he arrives.

"Poland hopes that the old cultural world will help her in the task of saving culture and civilization from Bolshevism," Lubomirski said.

Should Poland be crushed, the Bolsheviki would become united with Germany. The war which was supposed to have been terminated by the treaty of Versailles would start anew.

The object of the Polish drive, he said, is establishment of a series of independent states as a barrier against Bolshevism. Poland will rid these countries of the bolsheviki and help them to a strong independence, but will not advance into soviet Russia, Lubomirski said. The states planned to constitute this barrier are Ukraine, White Poland, Lithuania and Latvia, the latter two of which already have assumed their independence.

ENORMOUS SUMS SPENT ANNUALLY BY AUTO TOURISTS

More Than 40,000 Cars Used National Park Highway Last Year; \$4,800,000 Was Spent.

ASTONISHING figures on the money distributed by motorists making long distance journeys have been compiled by the National Parks Highway association, according to Sydney B. Vincent of the Chamber of Commerce. Vincent is the local representative of the highway which now extends by a well marked route from Chicago to Crater Lake, Oregon, with gateways at each of the four national parks enroute.

"Records kept by the highway representatives last year show that a little over 40,000 automobiles used the highway for trips of 1000 miles or more," says Vincent. "We do not keep records of trips less than 1000 miles, as we do not consider that they are transcontinental in character."

"Each of these autos was on the highway at least 10 days. At \$12 per car a day, this would mean \$120 spent by the occupants of each car. Taking our record of 40,000 cars at \$120 each, we have a total of \$4,800,000."

ESTIMATE CONSERVATIVE "This, I believe, is conservative, and it should be borne in mind that there were many other thousands of cars on the highway making shorter trips, all of them adding to the stream of dollars."

"The returns from motor travel are not by any means confined to hotels and garages, although, of course, they receive a goodly portion. Many persons prefer to camp along the route, but they must have groceries, clothing, ammunition, reading matter, souvenirs and incidentals. Motor travelers, whether campers or hotel transients, are liberal spenders at theatres and refreshment parlors. I believe every motorist buys some clothing during the trip, and the women's wardrobe replenished."

1920 PROMISING YEAR "We are anticipating for 1920 an even greater year for tourist travel. In addition to the general campaign which promotes motoring and which has been gaining in results yearly, we have assurances that many caravans of Shriners will use the highway to reach reunion headquarters."

"The highway is in fair condition for travel at this early date with only a few bad stretches. By the first of June

Honorary Musical Organization Wins O. A. C. Recognition

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, May 15.—The Euterpe club, an honorary musical organization composed of regular music students, has been recognized by the student affairs committee and plans to petition a national musical honorary fraternity.

Officers are: Elsie Robinson, Cambridge, Idaho, president; Mary Giles, Chilliwack, B. C., vice-president; Mildred Hall, Cottage Grove, secretary; and Athol Brown, Baker, treasurer. Other members are Ruth McCaw, Prescott, Wash.; Mildred Wright, Salem; Adella Towles, Gresham; Anna McEwan, Milton; Gladys Hansel, Corvallis; and Gladys Neal, Gresham.

Motor Convoy Two Miles in Length Is To Make Long Trip

Washington, May 15.—(I. N. S.)—On June 14, a motor convoy of two miles in length will travel over the Bankhead national highway from Washington to Los Angeles, Cal., a distance of 3690 miles. The convoy is expected to complete the trip September 17. Twenty distinguished guests will accompany the transport commander, Lieutenant Colonel John Franklin.

The start from the national capital will be marked with ceremonies attended by cabinet officers, senators and other prominent men. President Wilson has been invited to review the procession as it passes the White House. Receptions and other ceremonies will be held at various points en route.

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Advertising Rates Lag Behind Rate of Production Gains

Washington, May 15.—(I. N. S.)—Advertising rates have not increased one third of the increase in the cost of newspaper production, Victor H. Lawson, publisher of a Chicago newspaper told the senate sub-committee investigating the print paper situation.

Lawson referred to the Canadian Export Paper Company, Ltd., a distributing company which he said "was organized by the paper mills to prevent conscription."

It was brought out that the company sold paper to Canadian purchasers at a price of \$11 a ton less than purchasers in the United States.

ELLISON-WHITE LYCEUM BUREAU PRESENTS William Howard Taft LECTURING ON "The League of Nations Up-to-Date" AUDITORIUM THURSDAY EVE, MAY 27TH 75c \$1.00 \$1.50

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