

WASHINGTON MEMORIAL
Great Auditorium is to be Erected in National Capital.
IT WILL COST ABOUT \$7,000,000

Lofty Dome is to be Specific Memorial to Soldiers of Late World War—Plans for Building Now Going Rapidly Forward.

George Washington and the 4,800,000 men who represented America in the recent war, writes Frederic J. Hasbain, are to be honored together in a great memorial auditorium in Washington.

The project is called the George Washington Memorial because it was started 24 years ago for the purpose of carrying out one of the unfulfilled provisions of Washington's will. The war broke into the slowly developing plans, and afterward the idea of the double memorial took shape.

Now, plans are going rapidly forward. Congress has approved the project and donated a site in a central location where some of the temporary government offices stood during the war. The corner stone was laid by President Harding 1st November, a few days after the Unknown Soldier was honored in the capital.

Mrs. Harding has been made honorary president of the George Washington Memorial Association, and the \$7,000,000 necessary to erect the building is being raised among states and organizations. Governors of all the states have endorsed the plan, and Tennessee has authorized a bond issue of \$100,000 as its share in the fund.

Plans for the memorial have been approved by the National Commission on Fine Arts. A model stands in the headquarters of the memorial association. It shows a four-story square building, so broad as to appear very low set. The material, like most public buildings in Washington will be white stone, and the usual Greek effect of a colonnade of pillars is used at the front and back.

The central feature of the building is the large auditorium seating 7,000 with suitable accommodations for national and international gatherings.

The lofty dome of this auditorium is to be the specific memorial to the soldiers, sailors and marines of the World War. Each man who fell in the war is to be represented by a gold star in the dome, and all others by blue stars.

The dome of stars is expected to prove of increasing interest with the passing of time. In a speech at the cornerstone ceremony, Admiral Coontz, chief of naval operations, referred to the dome of stars as the part of the project that appealed to him most.

"Can you not imagine," said the admiral, "the children, the grandchild-

and the great-grandchildren of the Great War making Washington a mecca to visit, to look for their ancestors' star. I am a great believer in tradition for it is only in the contemplation of great and noble deeds in the past that we are led to the same in the present and the future."

Around the auditorium are to be a great many rooms, all dedicated to patriotic and national uses. On the first floor there will be smaller meeting halls and two museums which will contain collections of war trophies and relics, documents, uniforms, guns and souvenirs of famous men.

The second floor is to have a large banquet hall where state banquets can be held and distinguished statesmen entertained. There will also be reception rooms and a long row of rooms where patriotic societies will establish permanent headquarters.

Above, on the third floor, rooms are to be reserved for each of the states and territories, to be furnished by them and used for state societies and other state purposes.

A Long Felt Need. The need for this type of public building has long been apparent. Members of the patriotic societies come to Washington at times for conventions, to promote special legislation, and to use the fine genealogical collection at the library of congress.

It is because a "patriotic building" was needed and because it seemed to fulfill, in spirit at least, the almost forgotten desire expressed in Washington's will, that the George Washington Memorial took this form.

The first president had a long cherished dream of a national university to stimulate high ideals in the youth of the land.

In his last message to congress he urged that body to promote institutions for the dissemination of learning. In his will he said he regretted that American students should go to other countries to receive higher learning and foreign ideas at an impressionable age when they should be imbibing the principles of patriotism.

He expressed an ardent wish that there should be founded a national university, free, as far as reasonable, from local attachments and state prejudices, and he left \$25,000 to establish that university.

The Bebum of Bhopal is the only woman ruler in Asia. She has reigned over Bhopal, India, for 20 years and is always veiled, in accordance with the precepts of Islam.

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AFTER KU KLUX KLAN.

"Anti" Organization is After White Robed Hosts.

In the days of the pioneer in the great Southwest they fought prairie fires with fire, says a Tulsa, Okla., dispatch.

Today, in Texas and Oklahoma, the Ku Klux Klan is face to face with an "anti" organization. The Knights of the Visible Empire are gathering strength to oppose the white-shrouded host—the knights of the invisible realm.

The Southwest is splitting into two factions—the Klan and anti-Klan. Within the last few months the Ku Klux Klan has shown its strength. It appears to exist in every community.

In the big, modern, fast-growing cities of the Southwest it numbers thousands of its "invisible empire." This has been proved by parades and demonstrations in such cities as Dallas, Fort Worth, Beaumont, Waco, Oklahoma City, Tulsa and other places.

Here, only a few weeks ago, nearly 3,000 hooded figures passed through the streets. The parade was fifteen blocks in length. At its head masked riders bore aloft the emblem of the Klan. Overhead an airplane circled bearing a flaming cross.

All of these demonstrations except the one at Waco, have been peaceful. And to the credit of the Klan are numberless good deeds, in which the Klansmen have been angels of mercy, assisting the poor and worthy by acts of charity.

Against these, however, the opponents of the Klansmen point to the acts of violence which have swept Oklahoma and Texas. It is not charged that the Klan had any part in the lynchings, "tar parties" and seizures in which citizens have been dragged from their homes and after suffering acts of violence, have been turned loose with a warning to "pack up and leave."

But it is charged that the existence of the Klan has encouraged masked riders of the night to take the law into their own hands and, cloaking their identity behind hooded masks, administer summary justice to citizens classed as "law-breakers and undependables."

It is with these masked riders who have taken the law into their own hands, that the "Knights of the Visible Empire" are to come to grips. The new organization, incorporated in Oklahoma, believes that all laws should be enforced by constituted authority and that the sacred right of trial by jury should not be denied any man, no matter how serious his transgression under the law.

The new organization is reported to be growing fast. Whether it will reach the strength necessary to successfully oppose the Klan remains to be seen. The Klan has grown tremendously, and its issues have become so acute that one candidate for the United States senate from Texas is campaigning on a Ku Klux platform.

And all efforts up to the present to curtail the Klan's activities have met with failure. It continues to grow and to show its strength.

"We don't waste time; we waste ourselves; we don't kill time; we kill ourselves; we don't cheat time; we cheat ourselves."

COMPLETES STEEL MERGER.



Eugene G. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, who surprised the big interests in the steel industry when he announced that negotiations were complete for a merger of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation and the Lackawanna Steel Company...

DEMOCRATS IN COUNCIL

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In the platform as adopted congress is called upon to provide a system of short term credits.

The platform as finally adopted also includes: Indorsement of luxury, excise and income taxes; general law enforcement with special reference to prohibition; speedier trial and hearing of appeals in felony cases; liberal support of and economical administration of public schools; welcome to women in South Carolina politics; disapproval of Sunday legislative sessions; disapproval of national laws infringing on state rights and a pledge that the people of South Carolina would take no backward steps in the present financial crisis.

Just before the convention adjourned Mrs. Leroy Springs of Lancaster, was elected national executive committee-woman to succeed Mrs. R. L. Manning, resigned.

State Executive Committee. While the convention was in session last night the state executive committee was called to meet in the state library at 11 o'clock, by Chairman Edgar Brown.

No Change in Rules. One of the principal features of the convention was a fight led by Mayor John P. Grace of Charleston, to change the rules, his claim being that the convention had a right to change its own rules.

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the statute law of the state. Several proposed amendments were defeated, the only one to be passed being one to change the rules of the party allowing both a man and a woman to represent South Carolina at the national convention.

York Had Six Delegates. York county, which was entitled to ten, had only six delegates present at the convention. They were: Mrs. Louis Friedheim, delegate-at-large,

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Rock Hill; Mrs. Alexander Long, Ebenezer; Erwin Carothers, Catawba; W. R. Bradford, Fort Mill; J. Clyde Ford, King's Mountain; Jas. D. Grist, York. Other delegates who had been elected, but who failed to be present were: W. S. Percival, Bethesda; H. J. Sherer, Bullock's Creek; J. H. Saye, Broad River; A. H. Barrett, Jr., Bethel.

RED CROSS TO QUIT

Will Close European Offices About June 30.

The American Red Cross, after eight years of work, in which it spent more than \$400,000,000 will close its main activities in Europe the end of June. It was announced recently in Paris by Dr. Ross Hill, director of foreign operations.

Dr. Hill said he believed there no longer was any need for American relief effort in the war-affected countries. The peoples of Europe were better off, he said, than at any time since the war, due largely to American aid.

"The American people," Dr. Hill

continued, "may feel proud of their achievements in restoring the health and morale of the distressed populations of Europe. Their aid has left an enduring impression and millions of grateful hearts. While here and there individual groups may need assistance, the typical work of the American relief organizations now can be ended with credit to themselves.

"I find no tendency among peoples or governments to complain of our withdrawal, but on the other hand, every country requests a certain personnel be permitted to remain temporarily in advisory capacities to make more certain the continuance of Red Cross work in the governments themselves. The Junior Red Cross will continue in certain countries. In such cases the work will be done in co-operation with the League of Red Cross societies, of which Judge Payne is chairman."

But Not Very.—It is reported that the oldest man in America died recently near Cork. In this country, of course, the oldest man is still alive.—Punch.



"MOTHER"

Is there a sweeter word, or one that recalls more tender memories than that one word, "MOTHER?" It means or should mean so much to all of us.

We think of the Mother in the home, surrounded by the family, leading a life of willing sacrifice for those she loves, protected and assisted by the husband, sons and daughters. It is an ideal picture.

BUT SOME TIMES THE PICTURE FADES

When adversity comes. If the husband should die and the wife has only a limited business training, her burdens are doubled.

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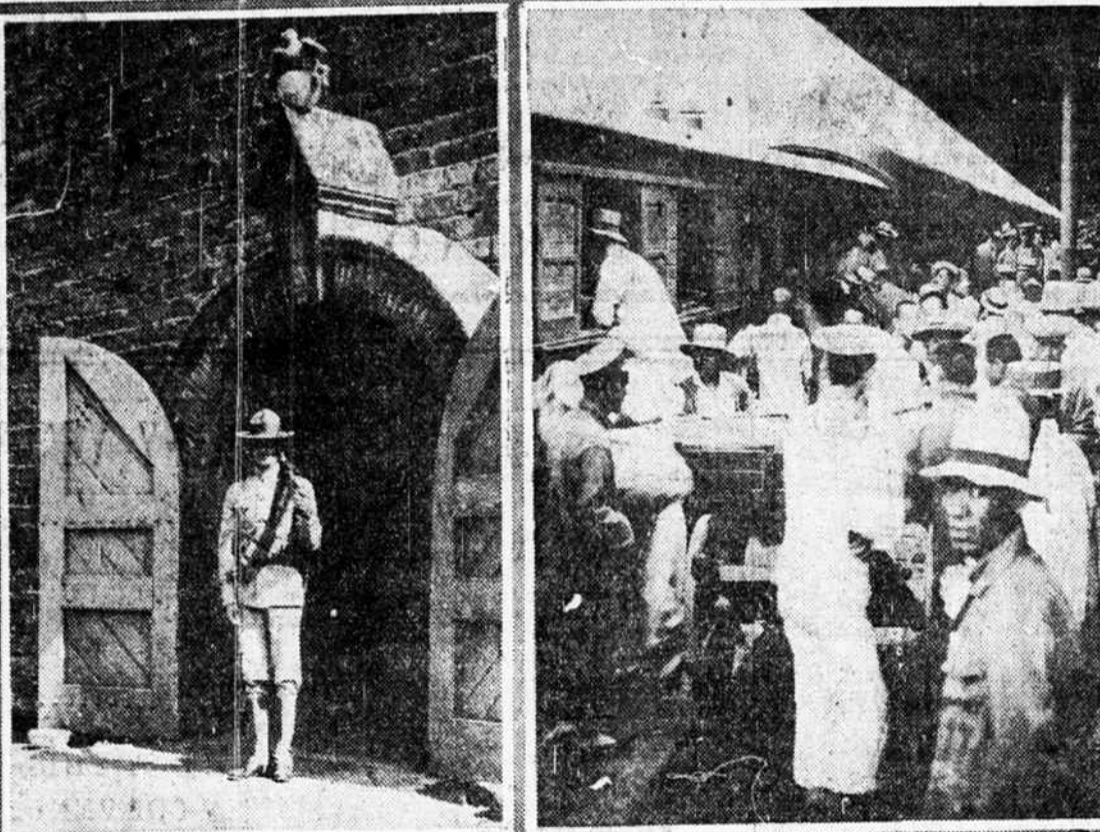
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PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES FOLLOW PEKIN INSURRECTION.



Extra precautionary measures are being taken by the foreign legations in Pekin, to protect their interests and citizens from possible injury resulting from the uprisings in China. The United States Government has increased its force of marines guarding the American Legation. Although latest reports say that Gen. Wei-Pei-fu has control of the city, all is not well, for stragglers of Gen. Chang Tso-lin's tattered army are trying to enter the city's gates by force. Machine guns have been fixed upon the famous wall, and on several occasions were resorted to. Picture No. 1 shows United States marine guarding the American Legation. The insignia of the Marine Corps can be readily seen above the door.

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