

WASHINGTON MASONS TO BUILD
LARGEST TEMPLE IN COUNTRYPresent Plans Call for Magnificent \$3,000,000 Structure at
Capital—Blue Lodgers to Raise \$2,000,000.

Washington, May 25.—A Masonic Temple to cost \$3,000,000 and to be the largest Masonic Temple in the United States will be erected on the District of Columbia, according to an announcement by Charles O. Doonbe, grand master.

The transaction for the purchase of the tract will be closed within 60 days, it was announced and it was said immediately thereafter plans for the temple will be considered. Several tentative designs have been submitted to the committee, of which Gratz E. Dunkham is chairman, but none has been definitely decided upon.

All plans for the promotion of the

new temple project have been turned over to the grand lodge, which will announce soon by what method the money for building will be raised. Two million dollars of the money necessary for construction will be raised among Blue Lodgers of the district.

The new Masonic Temple will not only mark a new epoch in Masonic work throughout the country, but will give Washington one of the most magnificent buildings in this part of the country.

The property for the new building cost \$900,000. The purchase is being made from the Woman's National Foundation, which had abandoned a mammoth plan for erecting a club house and recreation center.

North And South
Now Negotiating
For Unity In ChinaGeneral Wu Pei-Fu Initiates
Movement to Bring About
Peace in Country.

Peking, May 25.—General Wu Pei-fu, in control of Peking following his recent victory over General Chang Tso-lin, has opened direct negotiations with Sun Yat-sen, head of the Southern Government at Canton. This movement, it is believed, has brought nearer the unification of the North and South which have been separated almost continuously since the formation of the Republic 10 years ago.

Mr. Sun is understood to have indicated his willingness to abandon the Southern Government and unite the country on two conditions:

"First—That the Parliament I instituted in the first year of the Republic be reassembled."

Second—That Hsu Shih-chang, president of the Peking Government, resign in favor of a chief executive to be elected by the Parliament."

Peace His Object

In other words, Dr. Sun desires that both the Peking and Canton governments be superseded by a regime representing the entire country.

Advices received by the foreign legations here from Canton, the Yangtze valley and other points in the interior say that the country was never in a better mood for the restoration of order. Public demonstrations are being held, the speakers demanding that the burden of the upkeep of vast armies be removed. Newspapers, and civic and commercial organizations are describing the bankrupt condition of the country, declaring that now is the time to act if China ever intends to get on her feet, and emphasizing the hopes expressed by the powers at the Washington Conference.

Chambers of Commerce composed of merchants in the Yangtze Valley have sent a memorial to Peking assuring that General Wu Pei-fu has a chance to become China's Washington.

General Wu declared that his only object is to bring about peace and prosperity under a united China. He disclaims all political ambition.

Prospects Favorable

General Wu has appealed to the nation, to Dr. Sun Yat-sen, President Hsu Shih-chang, the governors of the provinces, the newspapers and the public, asking the people to express their will as to what should be done.

He asked for suggestions from all factions, and declared the soldiers no longer must control the government.

Professing himself ignorant of politics he called upon the country to decide whether the old or a new parliament shall be summoned to deal with the situation.

Dr. Sun has not yet answered publicly, but General Wu's adviser in Canton has reported good prospects for a favorable reply.

Thomas Dunlap

Thomas Dunlap, who died suddenly on Wednesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Sophia Tower, 22 Johnston street, was seventy-seven years of age. He was born in Donegal, Ireland, and came to New Brunswick when a young man. He is survived by three daughters and one son. The daughters are Mrs. Sophia Tower, Mrs. Ellen Speight and Mrs. Charles Ward, all of St. John, and the son is William Dunlap, also of this city. They have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement. The funeral will be at half past two o'clock this afternoon from 22 Johnston street.

Mrs. Susan Brundage

The death took place yesterday morning of Mrs. Susan Brundage, 614 Main street, wife of George B. Brundage. Besides her husband she is survived by one sister, Mrs. Thomas Foley, East St. John, N. B., and a nephew, Mr. J. F. McMillan, deceased, who had been in poor health for some time. The funeral will take place on Saturday.

Frederick H. Barton

The death occurred at Torriburn, on May 25th, of Frederick H. Barton, after an illness of seven months. The deceased had been in the employ of C. H. Peters & Sons, being foreman of their plant for many years. Of a bright and genial disposition he will be greatly missed by his family as well as by a great host of friends. He leaves to mourn besides his wife, one son, John M., of the postal service, three daughters, Mrs. Thos. M. Park, of Bishop's Ark; Miss Lucy A. and Ruth at home. Three brothers, William H., of Grand Lake, and Samuel and Charles of this city, also four sisters, Mrs. H. H. Belyea, Hamilton, Ont.; Mrs. T. Fairweather, Pasadena, Calif.; Mrs. Mary Harding, and Mrs. Walter Armstrong, of this city.

Mrs. Lindsay Gerrish

Mrs. Lindsay Gerrish died at the home of her son, James Gerrish, Blackville, on May 18th, having reached her 77th year. She had spent all of her life since her marriage, with the exception of the past year, in what was formerly known as Indiantown, Northumberland Co., but now Quarryville, and was universally esteemed. Her gentle, full, of thoughtful regard for others, endeared her to all who knew her and she died peacefully and happily in the faith that she had no longer to grieve. The funeral services were held on Saturday from her late residence to St. Andrew's Cemetery, Blackville. She is survived by two brothers, William Crawford, of Derby, Northumberland Co., and Robert, of Houlton, Me. Mrs. Harry Johnson and Mrs. Murdoch Sutherland, of Brownsville, Me. and Mrs. Robert Brown, of Wellsford, N. B., are her daughters. The six sons are James and Lindsay at home, William in Boston, Edie, Ernest, Eddie and Herbert in the West.

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