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Mrs. Belva Anna Lockwood, a pioneer in the woman's rights movement, worker for universal peace for more than half a century and the only woman who ever was a candidate for President of the United States, died this morning at 10:30 o'clock at George Washington University Hospital.

Mrs. Lockwood was eighty-six years old. She had been in the hospital three weeks, suffering from a complication of diseases incident to old age. Until she was taken from her home, at 304 Indiana avenue, to the hospital, she was actively engaged in law practice. She was the first woman to ride a tricycle, and her early appearance on the machine created a sensation in Washington.

Ever since the civil war Mrs. Lockwood had been a central figure in efforts to get equal suffrage, economic and professional rights for women. She won for women the right to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States. She worked zealously for more than fifty years to open the doors of higher educational institutions to women. The home and office at 619 F street, where she lived and practiced law for nearly forty years, was a center for gatherings of leading figures in women's movements of all sorts.

Continued Law Practice.

A few years ago financial reverses compelled her to give up that residence, and she moved to the Indiana avenue residence, where she continued both her law practice and her activities in behalf of woman suffrage and peace.

No children survive Mrs. Lockwood. Funeral arrangements are being made by her grandson, D. L. Ormes, 511 3d street northwest. She also is survived by two nephews, Prof. Frank Gardner of Pennsylvania State College and Charles Wagner, who is employed by The Star. She was a member of Wesley Chapel. Funeral plans will be announced tomorrow.

Mrs. Lockwood often told the anecdote of how she became one of the first women in this country to fight for equal rights. A widow at twenty-four years of age, with a child, she was teaching school in her native town, Royalton, N. Y., at a salary of only \$8 a week. Men teachers, doing the same work, were getting twice as much, or more.

"I kicked to the school trustees," she said. "I went to the wife of the Methodist minister. The answer I got opened my eyes and raised my dander. She said: 'I can't help you; you cannot help

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The then apparent hopelessness of woman's cause so aroused her that she fought for more than fifty years against the exclusion of women from rights which men enjoyed. She fortified herself with a collegiate education at Genesee College in the days when higher education was rare among women, and for successive periods was preceptress of seminaries at Lockport, Gainsville and Oswego, N. Y.

In each place she was a leader among women's societies, and when at the close of the civil war she removed to Washington she was determined to become a lawyer and win a place before the bar. In the meantime she married again, to Rev. Ezekiel Lockwood, a Baptist clergyman in Washington, who died nine years later, in 1877. Her first husband had been Uriah H. McNall, a young farmer in Royalton.

Soon after her second marriage she began study at the National University of Law, and upon graduation, after spirited controversy, was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

"I never stopped fighting," she said. "My cause was the cause of thousands of women. I drew up a bill admitting women to practice at the bar of the United States Supreme Court, and I had it passed."

This victory made her widely acclaimed. She herself was the first woman to take advantage of the new law, and at the age of forty-nine was admitted to the highest court in the land.

She won several notable legal battles, including the case of the Eastern Cherokees agt. the United States, in which she secured a settlement of \$5,000,000 for the Indians.

During President Garfield's administration she made an unsuccessful application for the Brazilian mission.

Nominated for Presidency.

The most striking incident of her career then came, in 1884, with nomination by the equal rights party of the Pacific slope as a candidate for the presidency of the United States. Vain as the action was it was a unique distinction. The nomination was renewed by the same party meeting in Iowa four years later.

"When the notice of my first nomination came," Mrs. Lockwood related, "I did not know what to do with it, so I stuck it in my pocket, and kept it a secret for several days, until I was asked to support Ben Butler for the presidency. 'I can't do it,' I answered, 'I have a nomination myself.'" The politician appeared skeptical, so she produced the document, under pledge of secrecy, but before night it was in the newspapers.

In 1889 she was a delegate of the Universal Peace Union to the International

Peace Congress in Paris, and again in 1890 to the congress at London, where she presented papers on arbitration and disarmament. She lectured throughout the country, and until her last days maintained her law office in Washington.

She was born October 24, 1830. Her maiden name was Belva Anna Bennett.

WOMEN GAIN SUFFRAGE MOST QUIETLY IN RUSSIA Will Vote at Municipal, Rural and General Assembly Elections. Interesting Experiment.

Correspondence of the Associated Press. PETROGRAD, April 20.—Woman suffrage has come quietly and unostentatiously to Russia. The provision of the constitution that the government has not yet officially announced its full views on the subject but individual ministers have stated that it is decided that women will vote at both the municipal and rural courts for the general constitutional assembly.

Universal suffrage for women will be a curious and interesting experiment in Russia. From the mass of peasant women fully intelligent and active in the country, the vote will be a big stimulant and educational opportunity. These women do not expect to be dependent on men, and their participation will only attest to the fact that they are no longer to be treated as the property of men.

Ahead of Other European Countries. Educational facilities to women in both the secondary and university grades were granted in Russia long before most other European countries. For years past, too, women have had rather greater liberty of thought and action than elsewhere. This has been no very strong or organized suffrage movement, women have been directly engaged in the work of the country, and it seemed to most people that the natural course of things was to give them the vote.

Use Your Own Energy. From Stautes. Most people waste a large amount of power through misapplying their own energy. Perhaps more power is lost through bad direction, through lack of initiative and lack of action than in any other way.

Appointed to Office. A woman writer was placed at the head of the organization of temporary soup kitchens opened for the relief of the needy during the war. The committee elected to its permanent committee several women, including Miss Minkoff and Miss G. J. Bennett. These were members especially organized to help in the woman house servants to urge an improvement in their working conditions.

Reduction of Garbage Collections from an average of 400 tons a day to 200 tons is desired by Frank L. Bennett, Chicago commissioner of public works, to prove that Chicago has taken the lead in eliminating waste.

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DISCUSSES RECLAMATION OF ANACOSTIA FLATS Randle Highlands Citizens' Association Receives Letter on Subject From Senator Gallinger.

A letter from Senator Gallinger in regard to the reclamation of the Anacostia flats was read at a meeting of the Randle Highlands Citizens' Association last evening. This formed the chief topic of discussion.

"To this work I have given much labor and thought; the many years that I was chairman of the District committee put me in direct contact with this great undertaking. The Anacostia flats were a national disgrace, the sewage of the city emptied into it, and its waters were covered with a green scum that caused it to be a breeding ground for disease which imperiled the health of the residents of the District.

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Record for Twenty-Four Hours. The following were the readings of the thermometer and barometer at the weather bureau during the twenty-four hours beginning at 2 p. m. yesterday.

Table with 6 columns: State, Temperature, Wind, Humidity, Barometer, and other weather-related data for various states including Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, etc.

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GAS AND ELECTRICITY TAXES TO BE REPEALED BY HOUSE

Lenroot Amendment Defeated, 116 to 58, After Two Hours of Strenuous Debate.

After a fight lasting nearly two hours the House refused today to change the tax revenue bill as far as it proposed to tax gas and electric utility companies.

No Additional Levy Now. Stunned by Secretary McAdoo's rejection of an amendment which would raise the rate of interest on the national debt to 6 per cent.

To Get Further Consideration. This proposal, as well as the one to lower the automobile tax, will be considered by the committee on the floor of the House.

REVENUE BILL CHANGES UP. Senate Finance Committee Discusses Subject, But Does Nothing. Several important changes in the House were discussed.

WEATHER. For the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, fair to cloudy, probably tomorrow; little change in temperature; moderate winds, becoming heavy from the west.

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THE EVENING STAR THE CASUAL CALLER.

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The visitor walked in at the open door upon me, her new hat, a feta gown, and the perky bows on the summit of her hat quivering from the nervous activity of her movements.

"You see, Melissa," she began, "I was out on my feet—sort of gradually slipping away from me. I felt rather nervous, and you know how I don't like to be out on my feet."

GEN. PERSHING'S RECORD AS U. S. ARMY OFFICER. Man Who Will Lead Americans to Battle Regarded Well Equipped for Task. Maj. Gen. John Pershing, who is to lead American troops against the forces of the Central Powers in the Philippines.

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War Department Announcement. Following is the text of the terse announcement of the War Department to Gen. Pershing's expeditionary force of approximately 60,000 men.

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THE EVENING STAR CAPT. DEVEREUX TALKS TO CITIZENS OF BRIGHTWOOD

Tells of the Red Cross Service in America and France—Hospitals Established.

Capt. Ryan Devereux, United States Medical Corps, delivered an address last night before the members of the Brightwood Citizens' Association.

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WASHINGTON'S RED CROSS EQUIPPED TO BE TRAINED AT ALLENTOWN, PA., SERVICE CAMP IN FRANCE.

Washington's first unit equipped and equipped since the United States entered the world war is going into camp at Allentown, Pa., Thursday.

Number of Men Increased. The unit originally was authorized to comprise eight officers and 100 men, but due to the number of applicants applying for enlistment it was increased by the War Department.

Recruits Already Enlisted. In camp at Allentown, Pa. this unit will receive training for a period of about five weeks and then is expected to sail for France.

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DAY FOR BUSINESS MEN TO HELP THE RED CROSS. Chamber of Commerce, Red Cross, and other organizations will have a meeting at 10:00 a. m. today at the Chamber of Commerce.

MAP SHOWING REGISTRATION PRECINCTS IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.



Contract Prices Paid by Company for Strikebreakers One of Disclosures.

A half hour's session this morning of the Senate committee investigating the coal strike... The statistics were presented by Attorney Haley for the employees...

Discharged Men Re-Employed.

Mr. Vahy then gave a list of forty-eight previously discharged by the company for insubordination, recklessness, dishonesty and miscellaneous causes...

Call for Union Meeting.

Special meeting National Capital Local, Division 685, Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America...

Church Assembly Swept by Wave of Patriotism

Presbyterian Body Enthused by Reference to President Wilson as "Ruling Elder."

Liberty Bond Bride's Gift

Secretary McAdoe Gave One to Daughter on Wedding Day.

Cuts Out Campus Antics.

Col. Nicholson Also Bars Automobiles at Fort Sheridan.

Cleveland Coal Men Acquitted.

English Street Railways are experimenting with a compound rail without disturbing the roadbed.

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DISTRICTS ARE DESIGNATED FOR MILITARY REGISTRATION

- Registration Precinct No. 1.—The boundary descriptions of registration precinct No. 1 of the District of Columbia are as follows: Registration Precinct No. 2.—This precinct is bounded on the north by the center line of 7th street...

REGISTRATION STATIONS

- Registration Precinct No. 8.—A.—This precinct is bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of 16th street west and Florida avenue east... Registration Precinct No. 9.—F.—This precinct is bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Division street and the District boundary...

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