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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

CENTENNIAL NEXT FALL

Virginia is Much Interested in Centennial Celebration of Star-Spangled Banner.

One hundred years ago when the British were on their way to Washington, three of the banks of Alexandria, Va., offered to loan the Government \$450,000 for the construction of more defenses for the District. The money was accepted but nothing was done at Fort Washington, 12 miles down the Potomac on the Maryland side. In the war of 1812 the stirring events in Virginia and in Maryland occurred in 1814. From the first, Virginia was heartily in favor of the conflict and contributed men, money and measures towards its success. It is deeply interested in the Centennial which Baltimore will hold next September. The date for this celebration is set for the Battle of North Point and the Bombardment of Fort McHenry, in which Virginia troops took part.

The popular result of these stirring days was the birth of the Star-Spangled Banner, which by executive order has become the National Anthem in both Army and Navy. Francis Scott Key, who wrote this lyric, was seeking to obtain the release of his friend and was on a British ship. He was detained during the bombardment and the anthem was the inspiration of his experience. When daylight appeared he saw the flag was still flying over the Fort and wrote the lines on the backs of old envelopes. The song became immediately successful and so it has continued through the years until it is known as the American Anthem. Baltimore's celebration will comprise a week, beginning Sunday, Sept. 6, and ending the following Sunday.

On the first Sunday there will be patriotic services in the churches and a musical festival in Druid Hill Park. Monday will be a day of welcome to distinguished visitors, for the unveiling of tablets by patriotic societies and the arrival of the ship "Constellation," and the fleet which the Navy has promised to send, with a general illumination of the City in the evening and band concerts in every part of the City. Tuesday will be Industrial day, with a parade and the illumination of the City in the evening.

On Wednesday, Fraternal Orders will hold their procession and they are expected to make the greatest demonstration in their history. Thursday will be the Municipal and Athletic day, with parades and contests and in the evening there will be the most gorgeous historical floats ever witnessed in America. Friday will be given to the Military parade of the Army and Navy and the National Guardsmen. Virginia has offered to send some of its best troops. This will be followed by a banquet to the President of the United States and his Cabinet, to the Governors of the different States and to the visiting officers of the Militia and of the Navy. With it all will be an illumination of the City.

On Saturday will come the climax—"The Star-Spangled Banner" day. The flag will be escorted through the city to Fort McHenry and the escort will consist of the President of the United States, the Governors of the different States, distinguished and specially invited guests and troops from the 18 States that formed the Union when the National Anthem was written. President Wilson will make an address and the anthem will be sung by a human flag formed by the school children of Baltimore. Sunday, which closes the week, will be devoted to peace. It is expected that at least 100,000 persons will attend the exercises. Special arrangements for the occasion have been made and...

BUSINESS HOUSES ROBBED

Thieves Enter Prince William Pharmacy, W. C. Wagener's and Freight Depot.

Burglars took advantage of the heavy snow storm here Monday night, breaking into three business houses via the plate glass doors. At W. C. Wagener's hardware and furniture store the looters probably located their largest haul. About seven dollars was missing from the cash drawer in addition to a valuable lot of silverware, including a number of knives. A resident in the neighborhood remembers the sound of breaking glass on the night in question but little attention was paid to the noise. They rifled the cash drawer at the Prince William Pharmacy, carrying off about eight dollars in change. Dr. Johnson feels sure there was no other loss.

The Southern freight depot next morning presented ample evidence of the visit. Tan shoes, canned goods, notions, perfumes, soaps, meats and prunes were scattered around the boxes from which they were taken. Every shoe was there. On the stove were the remains of a hastily enjoyed lunch. Pieces of fried ham, sliced from a local merchant's shipment and browned on the office stove, gave token of a satisfied appetite, while a partly filled case of prunes supplied ample testimony that the lawbreakers were never accustomed to boarding house fare. This is the first attempt at robbery in Manassas since the many burglaries of over a year ago. The authorities are unable to make anything of the tracks in the snow and have practically no clues to work on.

MRS. SARAH J. BETTIS.

Mrs. Sarah J. Bettis died of paralysis Tuesday at 9 a. m., at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Bettis, of Maple street. She was 84 years old.

The remains will be shipped to Catlett today. The funeral service will be conducted in Grace M. E. Church, South, Fauquier county, of which the deceased was a member. Interment will follow in Fauquier. Her sons will act as pallbearers.

Mrs. Bettis is survived by three daughters—Mrs. Allen Dodd, of Greenwich; Mrs. Ella Heflin, of Catlett, and Mrs. George Ellington, of Grove Church, and eight sons—Messrs. William Bettis, of Manassas; B. E. Bettis, of Alexandria; Mitchell Bettis, of Forestburg; James L. Bettis, of Nokesville; Cumberland Bettis, of Washington; David Bettis, of Bristersburg, and M. D. Bettis, of Culpeper.

ROBERT MOLAIR.

Robert Molair died at 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning at his home near Brentsville, following a long illness of tuberculosis. He was 58 years old.

The funeral was held Thursday at 2 o'clock. The service was in charge of Bull Run Council, No. 15, Order Fraternal Americans, of which he was a member. Interment was made on the home place, near Brentsville. The sympathy of the community is extended to the widow and five children who survive. His young daughter, Miss Mollie Molair, preceded him to the grave a few months ago.

OLD CHEMICAL FERTILIZER

English 'Practice—A Farmers' Word—The Lesson in a Word—By Karl Langenbeck.

The beneficial results of applying a variety of chemicals to the soil is an old experience in agriculture. Gypsum or crude plaster, marl, a form of carbonate of lime, with more or less of clay admixture, chalk, crushed limestone and the road dust of roads running through a lime country were used indiscriminately just as they were available. In districts distant from such materials, the plastering, stucco and mortar of old buildings that were pulled down was not wasted. They were applied to the hop gardens and truck farms near the villages and towns of England in the days of bluff Prince Hal.

ENGLISH PRACTICE.

We are speaking, of course, of old countries, where the keeping up of the fertility of the land has been a constant problem. And, this is a problem we still have to learn in America, where virgin fertility is still so recent a tradition, if not a personally experienced fact with many, that farmers are slow to keep alive to its necessity.

Now, rural England the home of our mother tongue, called all these various forms of chemicals by the general term "lime." "Liming the soil" meant applying any one or other of them, whichever was cheapest or easiest available. But it was also known, that if results were wanted in shorter time, burned lime such as used for mortar was best. It was, therefore, designated "quicklime" for "quick" meant alive in old English and "lime" an earthy chemical.

A FARMERS' WORD.

"Quicklime" is the good old English name for burned lime. It got it from the farmer from the way it did its work—quick. As there were always more farmers than masons, their designation had the call and in the English of England, "burned lime" would not be understood for what it is by the generality of men for "quicklime" is the word. Now, it would be well for our farmers to remember this for it tells the story of age long experience in a word. But, how is it that here in America we have lost the designation and do not, as in the mother tongue, understand by lime, a class of substance and the particular thing by "quicklime"? Why, very naturally. Favored in agriculture by fertile soil, the American farmer forgot about fertilizing it with different chemicals. "Quicklime" became virtually a material of the mason alone. The designation "quick" was, therefore, dropped because it was considered senseless.

THE LESSON IN A WORD.

So, in American English we know of lime as a particular thing. We have lost the farmers term "quicklime" for the most active of lime derived chemicals. We hope American farmers will revive the expressive old English term. For it will tell its own story to the growing boys on the farm and coupled with practical observation make such scientific explanation unnecessary.

—Coming to Manassas Tuesday morning, Dr. W. L. Stevens, of Centreville, found a covey of little partridges freezing in the snow. One little fellow he brought with him to town in his overcoat pocket, starving, cold and ready to accept food from any hand. This is just another reminder to think of the birds.

FARMERS MEET TO-DAY

All Day Session Yesterday at Courthouse—Poultry Show This Afternoon.

The February meeting of the Northern Virginia Farmers' Institute was in session yesterday and to-day at the courthouse.

The features yesterday were addresses by Dr. Howard, of Richmond, State Creamery Inspector, who discussed the opportunities for dairy development in Northern Virginia; Mr. W. M. Brown, Field Agent of the Southern Railway, whose subject was "Growing Hogs for Profit"; Mr. R. E. Grabell, of Charlotte, N. C., who explained the cooperative marketing of farm products, and Mr. C. T. Rice, of Greensboro, N. C., Dairy Agent for the Southern, who discussed the work of his department.

A report was made by Mr. W. L. Heuser, of Haymarket, with regard to road expenditures in Gainesville district, showing that they had gotten better results at the same expenditure by the use of improved machinery. It was decided that Manassas district would have a better condition of roads at less expense by following out the plan of Gainesville district.

The committee on legislation drafted the following resolution, which will be sent to Governor Stuart:

RESOLVED, That we denounce the Lewis dog law as entirely insufficient and reiterate our advocacy of the Northern Virginia Farmers' Institute bill, as set forth in House Bill No. 411; That we again endorse and urge prompt action of the House on the bill and the Adams-Torrens System Land Title Registration;

That we are depending upon the promise of the administration at Washington, to follow up its free trade in farm products with a system of Farm-land banks to capitalize the American farmer on equal terms with his foreign competitor;

That we deplore the failure of our Virginia State Farmers' Institute to consider any really important measure and its refusal to allow any discussion or a vote on any of the minor matters mentioned;

That we question the wisdom or sincerity of an agricultural leadership which proposes the little credit unions and ignores the Farm-land Bank Bill (Pfeizer—Senate Document 4246) now before Congress;

That we thank The Southern Planter for its vigorous campaign in working up sentiment for more equity in all legislation pertaining to land;

And that we request Governor Stuart to send a special message to the Legislature in behalf of the above measures.

Signed—W. E. STREKE,
J. J. CONNER,
W. B. DOAK.

This morning, Mr. George D. Brandt, of Bonnie View, near town, made an address on poultry and Mr. Lewis B. Flohr, Scientific Assistant, Office of Markets, U. S. Department of Agriculture, discussed the marketing of farm products by parcel post, etc.

The Manassas Poultry Show is now in progress. No awards have yet been made.

MANASSAS VS. UPPERVILLE

The inter-high school debate between Manassas and Upperville will take place next Tuesday night, March 3rd. The subject is, "Resolved, That the State Shall Enforce Compulsory Education for All Children Between the Ages of Seven and Fifteen."

These debates are held under the auspices of the University of Virginia, and the winning schools in the preliminary contests send their teams to Charlottesville for a final championship debate in April. The debate will be held in the High School building and begin at 8 p. m. Admission, 10 cents.

PEOPLE ASK SOIL SURVEY ENTHUSIASTIC SESSION

Delegate Pitts, of Albemarle, Introduces Measure Following Farmers' Resolutions.

As a result of the resolutions adopted by several farmers' meetings recently held in different parts of the state, the following bill was introduced in the House of Delegates by Representative D. H. Pitts, of Albemarle county:

A Bill to provide for a Soil Survey for the purpose of classifying the tillable soils of the State, determining their fertility, and the methods of treating them for the establishment of a permanent system of agriculture, and making appropriation therefor.

1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia that the Board of Control of the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station be authorized, and is hereby required to make, or cause to be made a Soil Survey of the tillable lands of the State of Virginia, for the purpose of determining and classifying the same according to their agricultural character; and to investigate by chemical analyses and crop experiments their fertility and availability for crop production of the several staple crops produced in the State of Virginia.

2. In pursuance of this Act the aforesaid Board of Control of the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station shall cause the investigation herein required to be conducted by the Director and the Chemist of the said Agricultural Experiment Station.

3. In the conduct of the investigations herein provided for crop tests other than those on property owned or leased by the Virginia Agricultural College (The Virginia Polytechnic Institute) shall be undertaken, only upon fields or plots which have been furnished for this purpose without cost to the aforesaid Board of Control of the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station. The product of all such tests, other than those made for technical examination, shall be sold and the proceeds remitted to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and placed in the public funds of the State.

4. There is hereby appropriated for the fiscal year ending on the Twenty-eighth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifteen, the sum of twenty-four thousand dollars, and there is hereby appropriated for the fiscal year ending on the twenty-eighth day of February, nineteen hundred and sixteen, the sum of twenty-four thousand dollars, for the purposes defined in this Act, such of said sums to be paid out of any money in the Public Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and the Treasurer of the Commonwealth is hereby required to draw his warrant in favor of the said Board of Control of the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station for the sum herein specified, provided that not more than one-fourth of the sum appropriated for each fiscal year shall be drawn in any one quarter of the fiscal year.

5. All Acts or part of Acts inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

—It was stated last week that Mr. Fred Snook had returned from a Washington hospital where he spent the past three months. This was an error, we have since learned, and we are glad to state that Mr. Snook had been in Annapolis where he was taken by Dr. B. F. Iden, U. S. N., who is stationed there.

PATRONS' LEAGUE MEETS AT RUFFNER—HIGH SCHOOL DEBATERS WIN MUCH APPLAUSE.

The meeting of the Manassas Patrons' League, held at the Ruffner High School last week, was well attended in spite of the very inclement weather. After the meeting was called to order and the minutes read, the children of the fourth grade gave a charming little program of songs and recitations. The little boys, especially, sang with admirable spirit and vigor and little Miss Elizabeth Johnson quite delighted the audience by her recitation of James Whitcomb Riley's "The Goblins." Next came the special feature of the meeting, a debate by the High School students on the question, "Resolved, That the Schools Should Have a Nine Months' Session." The speakers on the affirmative were Mr. Herman Steele and Miss Alice Metz, on the negative, Misses Marie Leachman and Marian Lewis.

In view of the strong feeling now prevailing among both patrons and pupils over the unfortunate shortening of the school term, it is only fair to the young ladies who took the negative side to explain that they were induced to take their parts only on the representation that the discussion of the situation could be made more entertaining and attractive if thrown in the form of a debate. The arguments were mainly along the line of the advantages of the school of nine months' session. The injustice done the pupil by the little time given him for his education in the short term school was first brought out. It is sometimes agreed that the rural school of six or seven months is quite able to prepare pupils for high school work. This is true, but the unfortunate fact is forgotten that the high school preparation accomplished in a school of nine months' session, by the time the child is thirteen or fourteen, or even earlier, is delayed in the short term rural school until the pupil is seventeen or eighteen. This means (except in very unusual cases) that the pupil will get at best only a year or two of high school education. His mind has become too set to keep up with the rapid pace demanded by the course, he becomes discouraged and drops out, or, even if he possesses a will strong enough to cope with the difficulties of the situation, the law steps in and excludes him by the time he is twenty-one before he has time to finish. From statistics taken from the Manassas High School records alone, it was shown that nearly all the graduates were only eighteen or nineteen at graduation, and that they had practically all been prepared in graded schools having a nine months' session.

The impossibility of giving in the short term school the education demanded by the conditions of modern life, was next pointed out. Now-a-days, a high school education is practically demanded of every applicant for a place in the business world; and boys or girls with only an elementary schooling find themselves terribly handicapped in the struggle of life. The short term school excludes them from this high school education. Again, the sharp competition of modern life and the demands of modern science call for improved conditions in the home, field and factory and so industrial, agricultural and domestic science courses are being introduced into the

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THE READERS' POINT OF VIEW

[This column is open to any reader of THE JOURNAL for expression upon topics of current interest. No communication will be thrust aside simply because the writer fails to present our views of the subject. Its purpose is, as stated, to present the READERS' point of view. Please write plainly on one side of the sheet, signing your name with proper address. The writer's name will not be made public without permission but, as an evidence of good faith, THE JOURNAL must always know. Ordinarily preference will be given to short communications. Editor.]

SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

(BY REV. H. L. QUARLES)

DEAR MR. EDITOR:—For the discussion of this subject, I seek your paper rather than the pulpit, because it reaches a larger number of the class specially addressed than any Manassas pulpit reaches. At the same time, let it be clearly understood that this class specially addressed consists of persons who claim to observe the Lord's Day, who, indeed, would vehemently resent any charge to the contrary. This message has no meaning for those that "fear not God, nor regard man." It is intended only for those that accept as authoritative both the practice and the precept of the New Testament—that accept the "First day of the week" as the "Lord's Day," the New Testament substitute for the Jewish Sabbath (not a perpetuation of it) and that recognize the scriptural obligation binding on all Christians to observe the Lord's Day. And this article is not so much a plea for Sunday observance as a discussion of what really constitutes it.

First, then, using Sunday as a means of saving business time is a violation of the day. To visit or travel or sleep on Sunday may, under certain conditions, be entirely proper, but to do any such thing because unwilling to use business hours for that purpose is virtually the same as doing any of these things during the week and then conducting business on Sunday. Traveling on Sunday is now more than a prevalent custom; it has come to be an idiotic fad. People—even those that claim to be Sabbath observers—will actually put themselves to a positive inconvenience in order to go Sunday as the time for making a trip. What is the difference between traveling on Sunday in order to avoid losing a week day from business, and traveling on the week day and then doing business on Sunday? And the same is true of keeping late business hours on Saturday night and then using Sunday for making up lost sleep. Reversing the order—sleeping Saturday night and doing business Sunday morning would be practically the same thing. Indeed, it is incumbent on every Christian to see to it that Sunday morning find him in the best possible condition of both body and mind—ready to arise in season and with fresh and vigorous powers pursue the proper purposes of the day.

Secondly: The purpose of the rest day is worship. True, it has been abundantly proved that simply for the physical well-being periodic seasons of rest are necessary. Even animals require this. Yet the man that uses this day for nothing but rest is himself nothing but animal. The rest is merely the negative side of the provision. It is primarily for the sake of worship. Even in the Jewish code, the command was: "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." Any man that simply suspends business on Sunday would conduct business on that day if the civil law allowed it.

Sunday is not scripturally observed unless it is used for worship, and that, too, for public worship whenever that is practicable. It is the Lord's Day; and he has positively commanded his people not to forsake the assembling of themselves together. Of the fifteen or sixteen working hours in the day, even the town church, with its three services, is using for these only about three hours (one each for the Sunday School and the two pulpit services). If the Lord claims as

peculiarly his own only one day in seven, and a church sets apart for the public worship only about one-fifth of that time, can any member of that church reasonably claim that he is scripturally observing the day, if he neglect to attend any of those services? And what shall be said concerning those that go at church time to the homes of church goers and purposely keep them from worship? Well, let us say nothing; because there is no language to say it with.

Every "first day of the week" is "the Lord's Day"—the day of the Savior's resurrection. All of them are equally sacred; and these alone are sacred. There is absolutely no scriptural authority for observing any other day, or for attaching more sacredness to one Lord's Day than to every other.

HUSBAND HERE IN '61.

A copy of THE JOURNAL was mailed by a friend to Mrs. M. L. C. of Newark, N. J. She is the widow of a Federal soldier who lost an arm in the conflict. Their trip to Manassas in 1905 when the Army of the Potomac held a reunion here, is still pleasantly engraved on her memory, though she received a painful injury a few hours after reaching Manassas. Mrs. C. writes:

I received THE JOURNAL and read its contents with interest. Had I a voice in the matter I would certainly use it in the matter of the government availing itself of the opportunity to make the old battlefield a national possession. It would seem as though there should be no delay in the purchase of it.

I read every bit of it (referring to issue of battlefield tract) having been over the field it had a double interest for me. How well I remember that bright, sunshiny day we started on our expedition. There was so much interest in all of it for me that I almost forgot my disability. We are having a real taste of frigid weather now with lovely moonlight nights. All that is needed is a good deep snow to make skating and sleigh-riding for the young folks. Of course I am past that—I prefer a limousine. With best wishes, etc. M. L. C.

A Plea for Our Bird Friends.

TO THE EDITOR:—While old Virginia lies covered with a blanket of snow, let us not forget our little bird friends. The winter having been open, makes this a very trying time for them—some little fellows not even having left us as usual. These shut-in days have been full of interest to our youngsters and their bread crumb invitations have been eagerly accepted. With the first peep of day come the songbirds, chirping sparrows, nut-hatches, downy woodpeckers, blue jays and cardinals—even the crows—all coming right under the windows for the varied treats spread.

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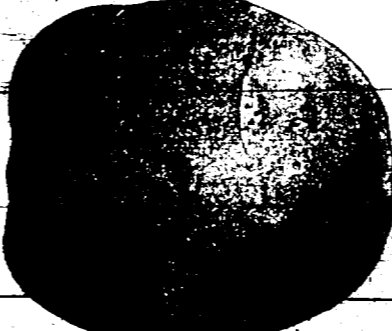
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MANASSAS, VA., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1914.

ARTILLERIST BROTHERS.

Captain Alexander Jordan, who died Friday morning in Bedford City, was perhaps the last survivor of the war-time General Assembly of Virginia, a veteran of distinction and a man of generous, whole-souled nature.

He came from a county famous for the number of troops it furnished the Confederacy, and particularly for the artillerists it gave the Southern cause. Six batteries came from Bedford, and were recruited from the same county throughout the war. Three Jordan brothers organized a like number of these companies, and received their commissions as captains—Alexander, William V., and Tyler C. Jordan, the last named winning his majority and becoming famous for his gallant service. Alexander Jordan's company, known as the Piedmont Battery, was later transferred to the infantry service, and became Company E. Thirty-fourth Virginia Volunteers. The other brothers remained artillerists throughout the war.

Strangely enough, Captain Jordan was able at the annual Confederate reunions in his county, more than fifty years after his command enlisted, to muster his old troops, and to have every commissioned officer answer the roll call. Himself, captain, Henry C. Lowry, first lieutenant, and now the venerable Delegate from Bedford, and John M. White, second lieutenant, all survived the campaigns of the war, and lived to celebrate the fifty-first year of their enlistment. We doubt if this record has ever been excelled.

A Virginia gentleman was Captain Jordan, whose passing is regretted not less by the Commonwealth than by his county.—Times-Dispatch.

THE BLESSING OF THE SNOW.

Richmond people who trudged about in the snow today and saw it turn into slush beneath their feet would not have complained had they realized what the two recent snows have meant to this section of the state.

Some people prefer to shut their eyes to the fact, but the truth is that little by little during the last twenty years, the level of our ground water has been lowered. Century-old wells, which never have been known to fail before, even in the most serious droughts, have gone dry; sections which seldom felt the need of rain have seen their crops wither and their stock suffer in seasons of normal rainfall.

The reason for this has been the removal of our forests by that short-sighted folly which will sell a sapling rather than wait for a tree to grow. The great stretches of forest land which of old stored up the water are now stripped; the heaviest rainfall washes at once into the streams, floods them, flows into the great rivers and into the sea and does not usually strike into the ground. So serious a problem has deforestation become that able engineers tell us that the level of the water-bearing stratum has been lowered by from three to nine feet in Southside Virginia.

A snow like that of yesterday does not wash away. Under the slow heat of the sun, it melts and soaks into the ground. So gradual is this process that a single snow will sometimes give the earth more water than will half-a-dozen rains.

Next summer's crops will show the effect of yesterday's snow.—News-Leader.

SUNDAY OBSERVANCE

In the readers' column will be found a letter from Dr. Quarles of the Baptist church on a subject that will interest every reader addressed. It is an up-to-the-minute topic that is being agitated throughout the country and is being given careful consideration by persons of every denomination and in every walk of life.

To a great extent we all agree about the observance of the Lord's day and why the church attendance is so small in comparison with the expressed ideas of the people who make up the congregations is a hard problem to solve.

We shall be glad to hear from our readers on the subject.

AT CATAWBA

A truly great work is being accomplished at Catawba Sanatorium and every Virginian should show an active interest in this state institution for the treatment and care of victims of the dread white plague.

A great deal of the praise is due the alumni association composed entirely of patients who help each other as well as themselves, welcoming newcomers, doing all they can to provide for the care of persons who are unable to afford the treatment, and devoting what might be ample time for uneasy reflection to the wholesome task of working for a common good.

The state provides no free beds, and the total accommodation for paying patients and beneficiaries is 161 beds. The state owns land at Salem very near the sanatorium and the Board of Health has asked for a receiving hospital on this ground. Only incipient patients would then be required to take the four-mile trip over mountain roads. The results would be practically doubled and the segregation of patients in incipient and advanced stages of disease would by the absence of the depressing effect of contact, materially speed the progress and recuperation of the incipient cases.

May the erection of the receiving hospital be soon a thing of the past and the successful treatment of Virginia's suffering victims of tuberculosis continue until the Old Dominion is free of the great white plague.

ACHIEVEMENT.

A little girl of Oakman, Alabama, having taken a prize in the Tomato Club, was sent upon a marvelous journey. Home again, she wrote to the "Progressive Farmer" about her experiences:

"What did me more good than all was the free trip to Columbia, South Carolina, which was just fine for a little girl that had never had the pleasure of going to such a place before. And when I got there I was asked to state to that vast people what I had done, and when I told them I had canned 225 things, no two alike, I could not hear myself for yells and cheers."

Great little woman! May she continue to "put up" many things in cans, "no two alike," to know the sweetness of praise and glory and interest of a free trip to Columbia. There are countless people who pursue happiness all around the globe and never get within seven days' journey of it. What they need is honorable work, the joy of achievement and the friendly gifts of the Tomato Club.—Toledo Blade.

FEED THE BIRDS.

While this great white blanket of snow covers the Virginia fields to help the coming crops and give the youngsters the most of winter's fun, it will be well for us to remember our little feathered friends.

Until February we have enjoyed ideal weather. Many of the little birds forgot to travel southward and have remained in comfort until now. But the berries and fruit are gone. Every seed and food particle are buried under the snow, too deep for the bill of any little nuthatch, or redbird, or blue jay. What can they do?

Tender a cordial invitation of wheat, corn and crumbs of bread to help the little fellows who annually save the country millions of dollars.

Feed the birds—else more will die in a few short weeks than the huntsman could possibly kill in a season twelve months long.

VIRGINIA'S EXPERIENCE.

Virginia's experience in the establishment of oyster culture was similar for years to that of Maryland, but the difference is that the Virginia oysterman has had the wisdom to see his opportunity in this policy of development, and is supporting the law instead of fighting it. He has become a planter himself and has made his calling and election sure for all time to come. Why should not the Maryland oysterman be as wise as the Virginian and put his business on a solid and permanent basis? He has every chance and inducement to do so under the amended Haman law. Why should he persist in fighting against himself? Why should he delight in being his own worst enemy? Isn't it time for him to imitate his Virginia brother?—Baltimore Sun.

ALEXANDRIA'S CELEBRATION

Alexandria is receiving congratulations on her whole-hearted, old-fashioned celebration of the birthday of Virginia's son, the noble Washington. Even the elements seemed to be in tune. The paraders battled with the driving snow but the unpleasant weather had little or no effect on their enthusiastic tribute to the Father of his Country. Woodrow Wilson, his twenty-seventh successor in office, the Vice-President and the Secretary of War lent a touch of dignity to the occasion and old Alexandria paid fitting homage to the honored President who frequented her historic streets when Alexandria was young. Congratulations to our noble son.

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BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

Feed the horse.
Blanket your horse.
Mr. Charles Lynn is suffering from a dislocated knee-cap.
The choir of Trinity Episcopal church Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.
Mr. Mark Florance, who has been ill the past six weeks, is much improved.
Several members of the family of Mr. J. F. Lewis have been on the sick list.
Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Buck, who have been on the sick list, are much improved.
Mrs. Keys, widow of Henry Keys, who was fatally shot last summer, is extremely ill.
Miss Helen Florance is out again after spending several weeks indoors with a severe cold.
Workmen are busy at Judge Thornton's this week, wiring the house for about forty electric lights.
Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hatterman, of the Bristow neighborhood, are rejoicing over the arrival of twins.
Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Evans entertained their friends at a dance last Friday evening in their home on Prescott avenue.
The Home Missionary Society of Grace M. E. church, south, will meet at the home of Mrs. Maloney Thursday, March 5, at 3 p. m.
Mr. Elmer Marks, son of Mr. T. H. Marks, left Tuesday to accept a position with a Greenville, N. C., firm of contractors and builders.
Little Miss Laura Willis is suffering from painful lacerations of the face as a result of a sleigh ride which terminated in a barbed wire fence.
Mr. J. L. Bushong, of Baltimore, is again connected with The Hopkins Company and will probably move to Manassas about March 15th.
Dr. Herwin U. Roop will preach Sunday morning in the Presbyterian church. His subject will be "The Great Self-Sacrifice and Its Purpose."
The Junior and Senior classes of Manassas High School will present "A Perplexing Situation" in Conner's Opera House Thursday evening, March 12.
Col. Robert A. Hutchison, Mr. Walter S. Opp and Mr. J. L. Dawson, of Woodbridge, have returned from North Carolina where they attended court last week.
Mr. J. Wilmer Weisley has moved from the South Main street property of Mrs. Keys to the Fairview avenue residence owned by Messrs. Merchant and Hutchinson.
There will be a service at St. Anne's church, Nokesville, next Sunday at 3 p. m. and Thursday, March 5, at 9 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend both services.
Manassas Lodge, No. 182, A. F. & A. M., will entertain the members and ladies at the annual banquet which will be held in the Masonic Temple Friday evening, March 13.
Mrs. Catherine J. Osborn, formerly of Lenax, died suddenly Wednesday morning in Washington at the home of her son, Chas. L. Osborn. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from her son's residence.
Mr. O. D. Waters left for Richmond this morning to join his wife and little son, Dabney, who has developed whooping cough. Mrs. Waters and little Dabney are guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Phillips.

The Southern Railway Agricultural demonstration car will stop here tomorrow at 10 a. m. on its trip from West Point to Washington. Don't fail to take advantage of its visit.
Lizzie M. Davis, wife of James S. Davis, died suddenly last Friday in Washington at the age of 52 years. The funeral was held Monday afternoon from the Second Baptist church.
Mr. H. J. Carr, teller of The Peoples National Bank of Manassas, has been appointed postmaster at Bristow. He is still on duty at the bank and his successor has not been decided upon.
There will be services at Trinity Episcopal church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at which time there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion. Sunday school meets at 10 a. m.
Mr. D. Collier, of Nokesville, was taken to Washington yesterday where an operation was performed at Sibley hospital last night. Encouraging reports have been received since the operation.
Miss Oshourn, Miss Kirk, Miss Metz and Miss Johnson represent Manassas High School at the Department of Superintendence, of the National Education Association, which is in session this week at Richmond.
The Grant avenue home of Councilman E. A. Brand was brilliantly illuminated Tuesday evening following the installation of electric wires. As at Mr. Ratcliffe's last week, Mr. Peterson's automobile furnished the power.
Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Simpson entertained at dinner Tuesday, the 17th, in honor of the birthday of their daughter, Miss Daisy Simpson. Miss Simpson was the recipient of many nice and useful presents as well as hearty wishes for many happy birthdays in the future.
Fredericksburg High School has cancelled the game scheduled for Saturday with M. H. S. and the basketball season therefore closed with the Georgetown prep game last Thursday night. The present season has not been an entire success, the team winning only three of the ten games; but the class of contests was better than ever and the local boys have won from all public high schools played this year. The baseball season is comparatively near and until then the boys may rest on their football laurels.
The Department of Superintendents of the National Education Association meeting with its allied organizations, in February of each year, is the most important educational gathering in America. Richmond, Va., has been fortunate enough to secure the meeting for this year. The conference is taking place this week and the normal schools and high schools all over the state are closing to enable the teachers to attend. The Manassas High School will close on Friday with the exception of the domestic science department, which will serve the usual Farmers Institute dinner.
The Manassas German Club gave the annual mid-winter dance last Friday evening in Conner's Opera House. Among the out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Sharpe, of Nokesville; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Donohoe, of Washington; Mr. and Mrs. B. Weir Waters, of Culpeper; Miss Eydie Pulliam, of Culpeper; Miss Edna Russell, of Marshall; Miss Van Sickler, of Occoquan; Miss Bert Davis and Miss Marie Leachman, of Bristow; and Miss Pearl Snow, of Haymarket, and Messrs. Edward Beale, Henry Latham, Marion Hutchison, Gordon Lightner and Bill Smith, of Haymarket; Joe Johnson, of Washington; Percy S. Haydon, of Cherry Hill; R. C. Haydon, of Occoquan, and Bedford Uhler, of Alexandria.

Mr. James W. Wyckoff, of Burke, died in a Washington hospital last night about 7 o'clock. Mr. Wyckoff was a former Manassas resident, a Confederate soldier, and had many friends in this community who will regret to learn of his death.
The fourteen members of the senior class of Eastern College entertained the faculty Tuesday evening at a banquet at the New Prince William Hotel. Miss Edna Hume, president of the class, gracefully presided, while Mr. Daniel J. McDevitt spoke for the class and Dr. Roop represented the faculty. Preceding the banquet, an entertaining program was rendered in the parlors of Voorhees Hall.
The colored Farmers' Alliance of Northern-Virginia held its regular winter meeting at the Manassas Industrial School February 23rd. Professor Yarborough, of Manassas Agricultural High School, was the main speaker. Dr. W. S. Montgomery, president of the board of trustees, and several other Washington men also made addresses. Although the weather was severe, the attendance was a creditable one, and all seemed to have been amply repaid for coming.
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Clark, of Minnieville, were town visitors yesterday.
Editor C. J. Campbell, of The New Era, Amherst, was a welcome town visitor yesterday.
Mr. Loche Bushong, of Baltimore, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Bushong, this week.
Mr. W. Partee Weir leaves today for Richmond where he will visit his brother, Mr. Paul L. Weir.
Mrs. O. D. Waters and little son, Dabney, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Phillips in Richmond.
Miss Portia I. Moran was a guest of Miss Cora Duffey in Alexandria last Saturday and Sunday.
Miss Emily J. Johnson was a guest of her sister, Miss Elizabeth Johnson, this week in Fredericksburg.
Mr. and Mrs. R. Weir Waters and little Weir, Jr., of Culpeper, were guests of relatives here for the week-end.
Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Quarles are spending several days in Culpeper with their daughter, Mrs. John W. Yowell.
Mrs. J. C. Rust, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Wm. F. Dowell, has returned to her home in Lovettsville.
Mr. Alfred Zerega, who is employed in the National Bank of Manassas, spent Sunday and Monday with his parents at Aldie.
Mrs. R. W. Merchant, of Richmond, is a guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Camper, in their home on West street.
Mr. Ray Hiner, who has been with his father, Mr. J. T. Hiner, the past few months, has returned to his business interests in West Virginia.
Mr. W. Manganese Bragg, of Asheville, N. C., was a recent guest of his mother, Mrs. Bragg, and aunt, Mrs. J. E. Jordan, on south Main street.
Miss Evelyn Milnes, who has been visiting friends in Alexandria for the past week, is expected to return to her home in this town on Monday next.
Miss Effie Gulick, who is employed in the Bureau of Printing and Engraving, Washington, spent several days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Gulick.
Mr. and Mrs. John A. Payne, of Culpeper, and daughter, Mrs. A. Stuart Jones, of Fredericksburg, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Roger W. Payne at the New Prince William.
Mr. F. J. Kasehagen, of Wilmington, N. C., was a guest this week of his brother, Mr. L. W. Kasehagen, on his return from Washington where he was one of the three Wilmington delegates to the Pythian convention.

CATAWBA SANATORIUM.


During the past summer the patients of Catawba Sanatorium, the State institution for the treatment and care of tuberculosis, organized an alumni association for the purpose of mutual help and entertainment.
Each newcomer is made welcome by a special committee, and another branch of the association attempts to provide free treatment for persons who are handicapped, with insufficient means and who might otherwise be compelled to abandon the treatment. This object is carried out so successfully that the identity of the beneficiaries is known only to the resident physician and the executive board.
The capacity of the institution is 161 patients, a very small provision for the whole state of Virginia.
The state owns land at Salem where a suitable receiving hospital may be erected. The Board of Health has asked for its erection, and in this event it is stated that only incipient cases will be sent to Catawba, thus obviating the danger of driving weak patients over four miles of mountain road, and removing the depressing effect on the incipient patient who is continually thrown with the victim in an advanced stage of the disease.

Condemnation Case On.

In the United States court for the eastern district of Virginia Tuesday, in Alexandria, Judge Edmund Waddill presiding, a jury heard the condemnation case involving 1,358 acres of land near Occoquan, Va., which the government desires to be used as a site for the establishment and erection of a reformatory for the district of Columbia.
There are six witnesses who will testify. Representing the government in the proceedings are United States District Attorney D. Lawrence Groner and Assistant District Attorney Hiram Smith. Attorneys S. G. Brett and J. K. M. Norton represent the landowners.
This case will occupy several days, and the jury will view the land before reaching its verdict. The jury is composed of George K. Pickett, W. P. Taylor, H. A. Whallon, Jr., C. J. Ives, William H. Duncan, B. A. Way, W. A. Garner, Robert Sullivan, C. T. Clarke, Henry Meanelly, William J. Rogers, Robert E. Miller, A. Judson Armstrong, E. Jackson Eggborn, George W. Grayson, C. F. Hicks, John F. Ryan, B. D. Wessel, Thomas A. Williams, and John A. Nicol. — Washington Star.

HAYMARKET HAPPENINGS

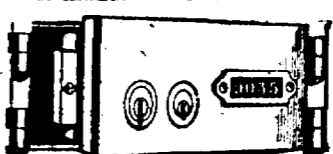
Mrs. T. E. Garnett and son, Thomas, visited Mrs. J. E. Jordan in Manassas, Sunday.
Mr. Eppa Hunt is quite ill at his home, near Woolsey.
Mrs. Wills, Miss Fannie Beale, Dr. and Mrs. Tolman, Clark, of Washington; Mrs. Brad Beverly and Dr. E. P. Clark, of The Plains, were week-end guests of Mrs. Tulloss.
Messrs. Bass and Hoover are visitors in town.
Miss Beattie Meade is visiting friends in Baltimore.
Miss Carrie Sanders has returned from a visit to friends in Marshall.
Messrs. O. C. Hutchison and W. M. Jordan visited Alexandria this week.
Mrs. C. D. S. Clarkson has returned from a visit to Washington.
Miss Ruth Hulfish is visiting Mrs. Thomas Wilson in Roanoke.
Mr. Howard Whiting is the guest of Miss Lillian Lightner.
Misses Beattie and Louise Taylor are guests this week at The Highlands.
Services will be held at St. Paul's church at 8 p. m. every Sunday evening in March, in addition to the regular services. Services also at 4 p. m. every Friday afternoon during Lent, in the Parish Hall. H. R.



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32x3 1/2	11 90	2 95	3 25	2 00
34x3 1/2	12 40	3 00	3 30	2 05
30x4	13 10	3 10	3 40	2 30
31x4	13 45	3 20	3 60	2 35
32x4	13 70	3 35	3 80	2 40
33x4	14 80	3 50	3 90	2 45
34x4	16 80	3 60	4 00	2 60
35x4	17 25	3 75	4 20	2 70
36x4	17 85	3 90	4 25	2 80
34x4 1/2	18 00	4 80	5 10	3 40
35x4 1/2	18 75	4 85	5 20	3 45
36x4 1/2	19 45	4 90	5 30	3 60
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SAVED HER SISTER

By MILDRED CAROLINE GOODRIDGE

Through the village street poured night's laggard legion, blind with rain. It was an hour of dark doors and shut doors. Among the lurking moon would leap forth. One tired wayfarer passed a rose-hung gate. The park-like solitude beyond it attracted him.



Lane Allen, that was his name—Lane Allen now—Wallace Irwin once in the criminal annals that last year was covered with sin and stain, yet as the mournful eyes of the young man swept the lovely scene about him, the grand mansion nestled in a brilliant glow of light, their depths showed the patience and suffering of a martyr rather than the remorse or desperation of a vicious nature. Some notable function was in process at the house, the home of Gordon Brooks. Bright forms showed on the porch. Then one light, airy figure flitted so closely past the intruder that he shrank back. The glinting moonlight showed a beautiful woman in evening dress. Her manner was agitated. She ran a few yards beyond the rustic seat where the intruder rested. From the near shrubbery a man advanced. Their hands met. Weeping violently, the woman's head was pillowed on his shoulder.

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POULTRY

ROOST CLOSET FOR POULTRY

Considerable Stress Laid on Curtain in Front of House at Maine Experiment Station.

In the curtain-front type of poultry house used at the Maine experiment station a feature of the original plan on which considerable stress was laid was the canvas curtain in front of the roosts.

This curtain, together with the back wall of the house and the droppings board under the roosts, formed a closet in which the birds were shut up at night during cold weather.

When the curtain-front house was first devised it was thought essential to provide such a closet to conserve the body heat of the birds during the cold nights when the temperature might go well below zero.

Experience has shown, however, that this was a mistake. Actual test shows that the roosting closet is of no advantage, even in such a severe climate as that of Orono.

On the contrary, the birds certainly thrive better without the roost curtain than with it. It has been a general observation among users of the curtain front type of house that when the roost curtains are used the birds are particularly susceptible to colds.

It is not hard to understand why this should be so. The air in a roosting closet when it is opened in the morning is plainly bad. The fact that it is warm in no way offsets physiologically the evils of its lack of oxygen and excess of carbon dioxide, ammoniacal vapors, and other exhalations from the bodies of the birds.

For some time past it has been felt that the roosting closet was at least unnecessary, if not in fact a positive evil. Consequently the time of beginning to close the roost curtain in the fall has been each year longer delayed.

Finally, in the fall of 1910 it was decided not to use these curtains at all during the winter. Consequently they were taken out of the house, or spiked to the roof, as the case might be.

The winter of 1910-11 was a severe one. On several occasions the temperature dropped to 30 degrees below zero. Yet during this winter the mortality was exceptionally low and the egg production exceptionally high.

In view of this experience the station has decided to discontinue the use of the roost curtain. It would seem to be generally undesirable or at least unnecessary.

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POULTRY NOTES

Eggs shipped by express are often covered by baggage vouchers. The well-fed and well-cared-for fowl is the one that brings the profit. When the old hen begins to lay and whip her chicks it's time to wear them.

Fall chickens find a good market as roasters during January, February and March.

The poultry industry is growing beyond the hopes of its most radical friends.

Egg shells may be utilized a second time if crushed and turned over to the chickens.

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Lack of moisture in the incubator means tough shells and dead chicks at hatching time.

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ENTHUSIASTIC SESSION

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schools, that our young people may obtain the specialized training now imperatively demanded for success in any calling. Here again, more time is called for than the short term school admits.

Finally, putting aside the question of any material gain to be had from education, what is to be said of its cultural side—the courses in literature, in music, in history and in pure science? There must be time for these things, for it is these influences that give to education its true meaning and value, that feed the inner spiritual life and immeasurably enrich it.

The short term school, however, has no more time for enriching cultural courses than it has for specialized industrial training.

Shall we then, in Manassas, argued the debaters, set our faces to the past when the educational world is everywhere pressing forward? The whole South is arousing to the fact that if it wants to keep pace with the rest of the modern world, it must make its schools equal to the best.

Everywhere through the State the remotest rural schools are having their terms lengthened, their courses enriched and better salaries offered that better teachers may be secured.

Shall Manassas, in the face of all this general progress, go back when it has already accomplished so much? When the State practically supports our high schools, and enables it to maintain standards of work only to be found in large city schools, shall we then fail to support even our schools preparatory to it, cut down our Manassas district schools to six months, and our large Manassas graded school with its three hundred children to seven months? What will this mean but undoing all the work of the past, lowering our high standards that are the costly result of years of work, and, finally, running the serious risk of losing the State appropriation itself.

The arguments advanced by the affirmative debaters were so unanswerable that the judges easily gave the decision in their favor, as, indeed, did the signers of the petition circulated last spring, which asked to have the school levy restored; for in the short space of three days names representing nearly two thirds of the taxable property of the district were secured favorable to the restoration of the levy.

At the conclusion of the debate, Dr. W. F. Merchant made a report of the work done by Dr. M. Lewis and himself in the physical examination of the pupils in the Manassas schools. About 90 per cent. of the pupils, he said, suffered from some physical defect, which, in most cases, could be easily relieved by prompt attention.

Upon the conclusion of the report, Mr. Tyler moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Dr. Merchant and Dr. Lewis for their generous services to the whole community in getting the important agreement for medical supervision of the schools so well under way. The vote was unanimously carried. A fuller report of the inspection made in the schools will be published within a short time.

Mr. W. I. Steere then announced that through the efforts of Mr. D. R. Lewis and himself, the services of one of the best oculists in Washington had been secured. The oculist in question would come to Manassas and at reduced rates treat the cases reported for eye defects by Dr. Merchant and Dr. Lewis.

The league then adjourned to meet again in March.

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