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MEDICAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOLS

There now confronts the citizens of Prince William county the establishment of medical inspection for the schools and a proposed medical survey. It might be well to state the facts of these two objects before making any comment. The inspection of the school would be carried on by two physicians, furnished by the State Board of Health; the county to furnish one half, and the state the other half of the sum required to carry on this work. Their duties would be to make regular inspections of the pupils and teachers as to the general condition of their health including the eyesight and teeth.

The survey, also prepared by the two state doctors, would go into detail in reference to the location, heating, ventilation, and lighting of each school building. Procuring the services of this inspection and survey will place Prince William fifth in the list of counties benefited by the plan.

Regarding the necessity of investigating rural school sanitation the National Council of Education of the National Education Association appointed in 1911, a committee on health problems in education. At the same time, the Council on Health and Public Instruction of the American Medical Association, appointed a committee to cooperate with the National Education Association on this subject. These two committees, acting as a joint committee, have for three years been working in this field and, after drawing up their conclusions derived from a mass of material from a careful photographic and statistical survey of about one hundred schools in four eastern states, have embodied the information in a bulletin issued by the United States Bureau of Education, entitled "Rural Schoolhouses and Grounds."

Apart from the fact that many states have medical inspection of the rural schools in every district, the value of such an inspection can hardly be estimated. It is something the parents and children benefit by without any direct cost. They benefit in that the detection of an approaching ailment may be perceived quickly enough to ward it off. The problem of preventing epidemics in schools and closing them for months is also handled by the inspection. The eyesight of children which, by the way, causes a great percent of the apparent lethargy and indolence among pupils, could be easily remedied by the examinations. In the survey of the county, the evils due to the buildings can be ascertained and remedied.

Prince William county should take the progressive step to back up its school officials by going half way in the matter and providing the funds to maintain the medical inspection. Other counties are doing it, other states have done it, and with Virginia, Prince William should cooperate in the movement.

A PICTURE FOR AN ARTIST

A report from Sir Frederick, of England, to the Red Cross Society presents a view of the havoc waged by the war that is pathetic although interesting. The scene of the little spectacle is the British hospital at Furnes in the western part of Flanders.

In the main ward—a fine hall—is a little boy in a bed very much too big for him. He is a refugee from Ypres. In one of the many attacks upon that unfortunate place his foot was smashed by a shell, and, as a result, the leg has to be amputated. He is doing well. What has happened to his parents is not known. He is probably alone in the world. In a basket on the floor by the child's bed is another refugee from Ypres—a puppy of very indefinite breed. He was probably thrown by some compassionate soul into a cart which was flying in haste from the burning town. He is little more than a round woolly ball—wooly by reason of his extreme youth, and round as the result of persistent over-rationing.

It is a curious picture: The white-washed refectory full of gravely wounded men, some still groaning with pain, some nearing death, with, high upon the wall, a kindly statue of the Virgin looking down upon the scene, and, in the centre of the room near the stove, the ridiculous puppy and the one-legged boy.

THE WEATHER

Neither Bacon, Carlyle, Rosseau, nor any of the great essayists seem to have furnished the world food for thought on the weather. Perhaps it was to commonplace in their minds to discuss but solace can be found in the fact that the Bible did frequently speak of the descent of the elements on the lands. In fact, one of the first events of importance was the Flood that came so unexpectedly on all but Noah and his family. It is an unimportant subject, of course, probably because it is so prevalent as a topic for discussion. Newspapers harp on it when news is scarce and this particularly happens during what is termed in journalistic parlance as the "dog days." People die from the effects of the weather and others get well on its account. Sometimes it happens to please the choleric feeling of most of the people but this is when the weather gets ready to be pleasant. Young ladies like to have the snow for sleigh rides but they do not like the sleet. Some people are excellent indicators too of the condition of the weather; depressed when the skies are overcast and buoyant in spirits when the days are pleasant. It would take a thesaurus of words to describe the beauties that the weather oftentimes paints on the landscape and the countryside. A mantle of snow has often been the metaphor resorted to by the best descriptive writers of the world's literature. Man's ingenuity has never yet been able to form the shapes and sorts of figures created by the frost. The weather has been a topic that always is resorted to when the lights are turned low and "two hearts beat as one." It is a great old subject and will probably be talked around as long as there is a heaven above us and an earth beneath but as someone admitted, "It's an ill wind that blows nobody good."

THE FALSE CALL

Times and conditions work their influence in creating a desire or a "call" on the people of a nation. This country, in its brief history, has felt the appeal that the country and the cities have made on its people. When agricultural pursuits became crowded, if such ever was the case, the trend of the movement took an urban direction. This lasted until men found the support of families became burdensome where the head of the family depended the opportunities of the city for a living. The balance has started to swing backward in creating a movement of "Back to the Land" but slow has been its course. There still are those who would seek their living and their fortunes in the cities of this country. The appeal seems to urge them to leave the farms and seek the places where life and business is apparently more progressive. It is a false note that such an appeal sounds. It is a call that has created the "bread lines" and "soup kitchens" of New York city. The farmer is one man who can look his creditors in the face with an assurance that, if not at the present, at least in the future his bills will be paid. The farmer, although he may not possess much in the way of pecuniary means, at least knows there is a shelter over his head, that there are acres awaiting the seed in the spring and, above all, millions to take his products at a good price. Horace Greely once said, "Young men, go west," but in all probability he would, if living today, say, "Young men, stay on the farm."

HOUSE ADOPTS SEGREGATION TAX PLAN

By a vote of 60 to 38 the house of Delegates of Virginia passed the bill "to segregate for purposes of taxation the several kinds and classes of property, so as to specify and determine upon what subjects State and local taxes may be levied." The fate of the plan now will rest with the Senate. The two forms suggested, the commission plan and the segregation form of taxing, are of interest to different sections of the state in varied degrees. To Prince William county it will matter but little as to which form is adopted. The substance of the matter that interests each citizen is the correction of the abuses arising from the present form of taxation and an adoption of a measure that will give the greatest good to the greatest number. The people of Virginia should hope that the Legislature will bear this in mind in its work.

OLE HEZ' SEZ

Er man en her family euz ter qu town wunce en folks sed he wuz po' en no 'count; that wuz gossup. They jined en o' ther churches for soshal en bizness reasons; that wuz gossup. Daters did sum entertainin' en tried ter be soshal ter git married; that wuz gossup. Her wife hed ideers o' raisin' her chilun en she wuz beleevd ter be crazy; that wuz gossup. Ther boys wanted ter hev a good time, danced en went with ther gurls; but folks sed they wer' wild; that wuz gossup. Som po' rattletrap pulled er skilition out ther family closet en showed it to ther toawn, so he sed; that wuz gossup. Ther man en her family moved away cuz he wanted ter live en er place where they did sumthin' else 'sides gossup; THAT WUZ TRUE.

Note Our Growth

December 31, 1896

Capital . . . \$50,000.00
Surplus . . . \$500.00
Deposits . . . \$55,590.28

Dividend Paid, 6 Per Cent.

December 31, 1914

Capital . . . \$50,000.00
Surplus . . . \$26,000.00
Deposits . . . \$243,146.15

Dividend Paid, 8 Per Cent.

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BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

There will be services in the Lutheran churches on Sunday at 11 a. m.

Mrs. C. H. Francis, who has been on the sick list, is much improved.

Mr. Wm. M. Wheeler is suffering with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mr. D. E. Earhart, of Nokesville, is suffering with an attack of rheumatism.

Mr. John Bector, formerly of Manassas, is reported sick at his home in Clifton.

Little Miss Muriel Larkin is quite ill at the home of her aunt, Mrs. C. M. Larkin.

Mr. L. Frank Pattie, cashier of the National Bank of Manassas, is confined to his home with grippe.

The position vacated by the promotions in the Peoples National Bank has been filled by Mr. A. A. May.

The farmers' winter short course began on Tuesday of this week at Blacksburg with a large attendance.

Services are being conducted by a religious sect known as the Holy Rollers each night over the pool room on Centre street.

Dr. H. U. Roop will be one of the speakers at the State Sunday School Convention next week to be held in Charlottesville.

Electric fixtures have been installed in the New Prince William Hotel and the town service will be put in use this week.

The ladies of the Catholic church will conduct a Valentine tea tomorrow evening in the M. I. C. building from 7 until 11.

Dr. H. U. Roop's theme next Sunday in the Presbyterian church will be "Three Bright Stars in the Firmament of Life."

Little Miss Irene Cather, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cather, is reported to be recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Ira E. Cannon has been suffering with an attack of tonsillitis during the past week. His condition is very much improved.

Master Jack Ratcliffe, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, is quite sick at the family residence on Grant avenue.

The chapter meeting of the United Daughters of the Confederacy has been postponed to next Wednesday on account of the inclement weather.

At the business meeting of the Virginia Corn Growers' Association held in Warrenton last week, Mr. W. M. Brown was elected a director.

Little Miss Deliah Hibbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hibbs, who has been ill with the grippe is reported as recovering from the attack.

Mrs. R. Seldon Smith has been confined to her home during the past week suffering intense pain from a severe ailment that formed on her jaw.

During the year of 1914 there were issued by the clerk at the Court House 95 marriage licenses. There were 51 white and 44 colored couples.

There will be an oyster supper at the Modern Woodman hall at Brestsville, on Saturday evening, February 6. The public is invited. Doors will open at 6:30.

Michael Voldi, alias J. Dunmond, who is charged with participation in the murder of two men and the attack on a Mrs. Mattie Hughes, near Clark station, last month, lost his fight against extradition in New York on Tuesday and will be returned to Virginia.

Stricken by an attack of rheumatism which prevented his removal from his sawmill for two weeks, Mr. E. L. Hornbaker is now recovering from the malady.

Mrs. J. T. Flory, of Nokesville, was operated on for appendicitis at a Washington Hospital on Monday of this week. Her condition is reported to be excellent.

After the run of the pictures at the Dixie theatre tomorrow night the floor will be cleared and a dance will be held under the direction of Messrs. Lion and May.

Last night the streets were noticeably free of youngsters due to the fact that the curfew law went into effect at 8 o'clock. No violations of the law were reported.

Last evening a children's vocal recital was given in the Eastern College chapel, under the direction of Mrs. Julia Craig Dunn, vocal instructor at the college.

The first installment of Mr. W. M. Brown's article on "More And Better Corn For Virginia" appears this week and will be concluded in the next issue of THE JOURNAL.

In a basketball game between the second teams of Eastern College and the high school on Monday night the boys from the Ruffner building won by a score of 48 to 10.

Mr. W. N. Weirich was called to Hagerstown last Friday night by the death of his mother-in-law Mrs. Wm. H. Gold. After the burial Mr. and Mrs. Weirich returned to Manassas.

Prizes to be awarded in the fiddling, dancing, and banjo picking contest to be held at the Dixie motion picture theatre on Friday, February 19, are on exhibition at Weirich's store.

Mr. Joseph Cockrell, of Greenwich, who is well known through the county as formerly being a large dealer in cattle, was in Manassas this week attending the annual meeting of the stock raisers.

Service at Trinity Church, Manassas, and celebration of the Holy Communion Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Service at St. Anne's Memorial Chapel, Nokesville, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Board of Pension Commissioners for Prince William county will meet at the Court-house on next Friday, February 12. All parties who desire to come before the Board will do so on that date.

Judge J. B. T. Thornton has announced the appointments of Messrs. W. D. Wheeler and John Leary as assistant land assessors. Mr. Wheeler was named for the first district and Mr. Leary for the second district.

Rev. Dr. John McGill, of The Plains and formerly of Manassas, sold to Morris and Company, packers of Baltimore, during the past week, 40 head of fine cattle that netted the sum of \$4,180, an average of \$104.50 a head.

Ray Sprinkel, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Sprinkel, was carried to a Washington hospital on Saturday suffering with acute appendicitis. He was operated on soon after his arrival and is now reported to be doing nicely.

A bazaar will be held in the M. I. C. building next Friday by the ladies of the M. E. church, South. A delightful dinner and supper is promised and also fancy articles and candy booths for those interested in this part of the bazaar.

Dr. H. L. Quarles received a telegram from his daughter Mrs. J. W. Yowell who has been at the bedside of her little son in the Children's Hospital in Washington which stated the little patient was taken to their home in Culpeper last night.

On Monday at the Western State Hospital at Staunton, L. P. Wise, 55 years old, died suddenly of heart trouble. He is survived only by his brother Mr. C. H. Wise, near Manassas. The deceased was buried on Wednesday in the family burying ground at Newmarket.

The funeral of Mrs. A. M. Strobert, who died in Washington on Saturday afternoon, was held in Minnieville on Sunday, at the Presbyterian church. Interment was made in the Minnieville cemetery. She was seventy years old and is survived by four daughters and two sons.

In another column of THE JOURNAL an ordinance enacted by the Town Council at their regular meeting on Monday night is printed and the attention of the readers is called to it. The strict observance of its rulings will do much toward protecting the health of the public.

Little Mr. Groundhog did not see his shadow on Tuesday and according to all the prophets of weatherdom it might have been taken as a sign that winter's back was broken. Wednesday just upset all such predictions and visions by bringing along the deepest snow of the winter.

The funeral services of James Pitts, town sergeant of Clifton, were held Wednesday in that village. He had been a resident of Clifton for about 30 years and had served in the capacity of town sergeant for several years. He is survived by a wife and daughter, also an adopted son.

The merchants of Staunton and Augusta county are planning a "Pay-Up" week for that section of the state during the middle of this month. Much interest has been aroused by this plan and the merchants have been assured of the hearty support of the buying public in their efforts to close up outstanding accounts.

Two prizes went to farmers of Prince William county at the corn show held in Warrenton last week. In the Northern Virginia class for the best ten ears of white corn, Mr. W. L. Heuser, of Haymarket, took third prize of \$5 in cash, and in the competition for the best ten ears of yellow corn, Ellis Brothers, near Greenwich, were awarded third prize of \$5 in cash.

The young ladies of Eastern College went down to defeat before the girls basketball team of the high school last Friday night by the "shocking" score of 18 to 3. Both quartets gave an excellent exhibition of their passing and team work. Miss Marie Leachman for the high school was the star of the contest and Miss Otto played the best game for her college.

After a protracted illness of paralysis, Maurice Evans, 76 years old, died at the Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg Thursday of last week. He was a Confederate veteran and prior to the war was a member of the Prince William Cavalry, which was known during the war as Co., A, 4th Virginia Cavalry, and with which he served during the entire conflict. The burial took place at Richmond on Friday.

Prof. Harry Lawrence, self-styled as the Mysterious Mental Marvel, marvelled a crowd before the post office last Friday afternoon by driving blindfolded and finding two articles hidden by a committee selected from the men of the town. He entered upon an entertainment at Conner's Opera House that night which savored of the poorest exhibit of clairvoyance and hypnotism in these lines of mystery. He was unable even to entertain the audience with a select committee composed of Messrs. E. R. Conner, D. M. Pitts, D. R. Lewis and R. M. Jenkins, as subjects for his hypnotic powers.

The cup given recently by a theatrical company to Manassas high school by virtue of winning a game from Greenwich high school has never been paid for according to word received from Washington by Cundiff Williams, captain of the local team.

The gold medal offered as a prize by the Sons of Revolution in the District of Columbia for the best essay for a pupil of the public schools of that city on "Courses of Events Leading to the Surrender at Yorktown" was won by Walter S. Smoot, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Smoot, of Washington, and the nephew of Elder W. M. Smoot, of Occoquan. The award will be made by President Wilson on behalf of the patriotic organization.

Early Monday morning William Dawson, brother of Mr. Lindsay Dawson, of Occoquan, and nephew of Mr. F. A. Cockrell, of Manassas, was killed while at work on a Baltimore & Ohio freight train. He is reported as having fallen under the train and both limbs were severed from the body. Burial took place in Washington on Wednesday. He had been married about a year and is survived by his wife.

When Mr. E. W. Merchant left for his home in Richmond yesterday morning he was carrying a "little brown jug" which, to say the least, looked suspicious, especially as this container was going from a "dry" territory. Investigation, however, proved that he was carrying home a gallon of champagne cider, a gift from his friend and our fellow townsman, Mr. John R. Tillett and which article is of Mr. Tillett's own manufacture and which is in a class to itself.

ROADS WILL BE REPAIRED

Supervisor J. F. Gulick Says County Fund for Year Will Be Used in this District.

EDITOR MANASSAS JOURNAL: In reply to Mr. E. R. Conner's letter that appeared in last week's issue of THE JOURNAL I will state that there is no reason why the Sudley road to Milford should not be macadamized by 1916 with the state and county funds and the Milford road will be put in shape this year. As all of the districts have received their share of the appropriation up and until this year (1915) there is no cause why Manassas should not have it since it will be our turn.

There will be about \$8,000 to \$10,000 available from the state and county fund for use in 1916. In addition to this for road improvement the Valley Turnpike Company intends to build about six miles of road through Prince William to connect with the Warrenton and Alexandria pike at the Stone House. I have already anticipated this and have had several culverts put on that road. There are only four wooden culverts or bridges from Manassas to the Stone House. There are nine or ten permanent culverts on that road which will not require any rebuilding. I will have to do a lot of grading this year to finish what I have commenced already.

J. F. GULICK, Supervisor of Manassas Dist.

LOADS OF HELL

From the Philadelphia Record.

Pat and Mike, just landed in America, were spending the first night in a hotel. Mike was unable to sleep. About midnight a fire broke out in the neighborhood and a fire engine came down the street clanging its bell and belching fire and smoke. Mike rushed to the window, looked out and rushed back to awaken Pat, but Pat refused. Another engine came clanging down the street. Mike was beside himself with fright. "Get up! Pat, get up!" he yelled; "they're moving hell, and two loads have gone by already."

Now Here's 1915

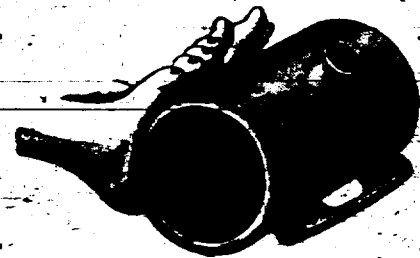
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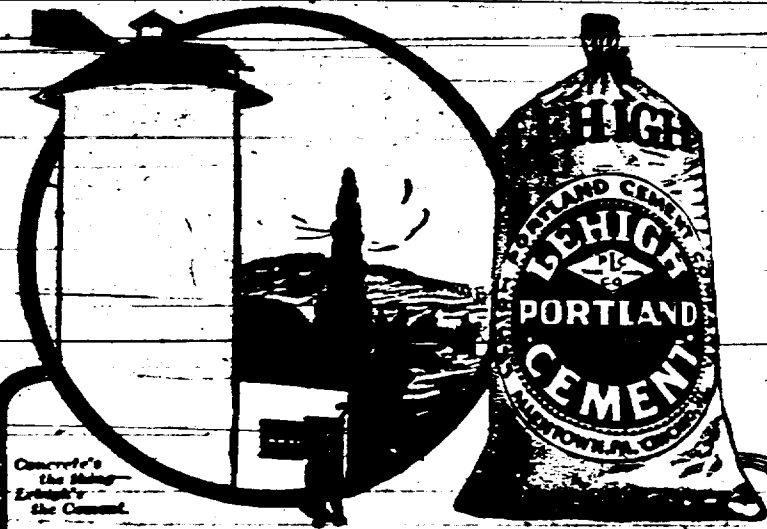
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The Scrap Book

Couldn't Stand the Pranks. He was a college boy, home for vacation...

At the Door. I thought myself indeed secure. That the door, so firm the lock...

A Shining Mark. A lady grievously incensed with a corn on her toe was advised by one of her friends to assist it with phenolphthalein...

Meaning's Home. Commenting on the custom which often given to raccoons, a writer in a London daily recalled the historic case of Potomac...

Fragile Tale of a Tragedy. "The sweetest and the truest stage with I ever lived through," said a sprightly English actress...

Not Stopped. Once, when the renowned Mrs. Ed. was playing in the Theatre Royal, Dublin...

A JANITORIAL WIZARD. For awhile he puzzled the Tenant Who Thought Himself Smart...

Next morning Brown started down the dumbwaiter shaft. "We're short a bottle of milk, please do it."

Learn to Laugh. The man who cannot laugh is not only fit for business, but also for a lunatic and a stranger...

Mr. Professor. Marie Casanova, the violinist, tells of a reception at which she was to be the soloist...

A Question of Fact. The judge decided that certain evidence was inadmissible. Counsel took strong exception to the ruling...

THREE CLASSES OF HIGHWAYS. It will be necessary to judge judgment to classify an existing highway into at least three classifications...

DRAINING ROADS IN WINTER. This is the Season When Highwaymen Give Most Trouble. Winter is the season when the roads give the most trouble...



It is dragging roads only a small amount of earth is moved, just enough to fill the ruts and depressions...

Cost of Road Maintenance. The department of agriculture estimates the cost of maintenance and repair of a mile of brick road at \$220 a year...

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