

SNAP SHOTS

CHARLEY'S ADVENTURE
 He looked down long last night,
 With sobbing sobs and pants bright,
 And when he walked this way,
 He met his friend, Melrose McCane,
 Who took him 'round they say,
 And when they left McPee's place,
 Then Charley walked away.
 They took him to the train,
 And put him safe to bed.
 This is the story of Charley's hat,
 And the fate of his head.

MARRIAGES are the only cures for love, and that sometimes fails.

There are some bachelors who really do not know any better.

Hope is a magic lantern which often shows impossible pictures.

It's easier to fall head over heels in love than to crawl out again.

Rivals are thermometers which gauge the temperature of a woman's love.

Although women will never believe it, some men are bachelors from choice.

Occasionally a girl finds out that the man after her own heart is not after it at all.

When a woman begins to take an interest in a man's work she begins to take an interest in him.

Love is often but a matter of association. Absence often gives the other fellow the inside track.

When it comes to a choice between the bohemian life and marriage, there are arguments in favor of each.

The only difference between reading a novel and washing dishes is that the latter diversion is true to life.

QUERIES and ANSWERS

How can I cure my husband of the drink habit so that he will stay cured? **DISGUSTED BETTER HALF.**
 Kill him!

The man whom I am about to marry is addicted to drink. What shall I do? **BETROTHERD.**
 Don't marry him. It may make him worse.

The girl I go to see every week wants me to teach her palmistry. What does she mean? **BASHFUL.**
 She means that it's time for you to get busy, you simple.

How can I get rid of a young man, who comes to see my daughter seven nights a week. I do not like him. **ANXIOUS MOTHER.**
 Let him marry the girl and you can't get him within a mile of the house.

My lover seems to be growing cold toward me. What can I do to hold him? **DRUSILLA.**
 You might try a log chain, Drusilla, and if he breaks loose from that, take an axe and cut off his feet.

I am very much annoyed by the persistent calls of a young man, who is so awkwardly bashful that he does not know what to do with his arms. What shall I do? **LONGING MAIDEN.**
 Dearrest! Tell him in the patois, to make a noise like a drum and beat it. Send us your address.

I am 16 years old and just crazy to go on the stage. I have taken part in several entertainments and all my friends say that I do real well, especially in "the mad scene," when, as our local paper said, "I had everything coming my way." Please give me your advice, as I understand you are a reformed actor. **MAZIE.**
 Mazie, you are right. You are crazy to go on the stage, if all you say is true. Do not let your artistic temperament strangle your domestic instinct. Do not let the glitter of the footlights lure you from the path of duty. Marry some good man and support him. Mazie, and then you'll be happy ever afterward. — all the story-books say. It would be a shame to waste your strength on the stage, to become wedded only to art, as it were, when there are so many, many worthy young men in our country only waiting for some woman to provide them a home. Think it over, Mazie, and LET US HEAR FROM YOU AGAIN.

CHAMPION EGG PRODUCER

R. A. Rector owns a last spring's pullet which is entitled to the blue ribbon as an egg producer. This pullet, which the average in size, up to a short time ago had only laid one small-sized egg. Mr. Rector, conceiving the idea of coaxing the pullet to lay a more bountiful supply of eggs, put in the nest a china egg, such as are sold in the stores on Easter occasions.

To his great surprise he found a few days thereafter, an egg measuring 3-4 inches in circumference, and weighing a fraction over one half pound. The next day the pullet again surprised her owner by laying another egg measuring 4-1-2 inches in circumference, and weighing a fraction less than one half pound. Mr. Rector attributes this wonderful production of "hen fruit" to the ambition of the pullet to equal in size, the sample which had been placed before her. One dozen of such eggs, as these, would weigh fully six pounds.

After being put on exhibition in the museum department of THE DEMOCRAT, these monster eggs will be placed in a state of incubation one of which will, doubtless, hatch a cock that will crow for the DEMOCRAT long after the expiration of its allotted time.

DEATH OF MRS. E. G. ALLISON
 (Contributed)

Mrs. E. G. Allison departed this life on February 10th, age 60 years, at her home near Cambridge. She has been in ill health for the last ten years, and last Sunday she was taken worse, and died on Thursday morning. Everything was done that loving hearts and hands could do to restore her to health, but without avail. She bore her suffering with patience and welcomed all who came in to see her. We believe she gladly laid down the burden of earth for the joys of Heaven. About 20 years ago she united with the Methodist church at Gainesville. She had a host of friends, and all the children loved her. May God comfort and peace abide with those who were near and dear to her, and may the loss of her draw their thoughts nearer Heaven than ever before. She leaves husband and eight children. She was laid to rest in Sudley cemetery, by loving hands. God bless the home.

A TICKLE OPERATION

H. Griffith, of Manassas, is responsible for the following story: "Some time ago a man in Illinois got a chicken bone in his throat and sent for the family physician to remove it. He failed in his endeavors and his patient was threatened with strangulation. Another physician was sent for and he too failed to remove the bone. By this time an old woman appeared on the scene and suggested that the patient's nose be tickled with a feather. This being done a paroxysm of coughing ensued which promptly removed the source of trouble. Greatly to the astonishment of the old woman an indictment through the medical faculty of the county was found against her by the grand jury, at the next term of the court, for practicing surgery without license, the penalty being a fine of \$35 for each offense."

PEZZING PROBLEM

Last week the following problem was handed to an Eastern college student to solve and return his solution to THE DEMOCRAT office: "During a storm a flag pole 130 feet tall broke off so that the top rested on the ground 30 feet from the base of the pole. What was the distance from the base to where the break occurred?"

Two solutions, by algebra, have been handed in, one of which, giving the answer 61 7-13 feet is correct. Any problem of this sort can be solved on a piece of paper twice the size of a 2-cent postage stamp, thus: "From the square of the perpendicular and hypotenuse, subtract the square of the base, and divide by twice the perpendicular and hypotenuse." This rule does not appear in any of our public school books on mathematics.

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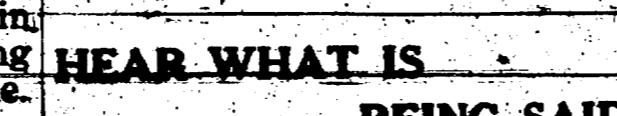
COMPROMISE CASE AFTER DECISION

In the circuit court, on Thursday, Judge J. B. T. Thornton decided the case of John Lunsford against the R. F. & P. Railway company, was compromised, after the court had decided in the favor of the defendant company, by said company agreeing to pay the complainant the sum of \$25. From the evidence it appears that Lunsford was a passenger on one of the defendant company's passenger trains from Fredricksburg to Widewater station, during the month of September, 1908. When the train stopped at Widewater station there was a fight in progress in the coach, in which Lunsford was riding and which prevented him from leaving the coach before the train started and he was consequently carried to Quantico three miles from his home station.

It being late at night the station agent at Quantico closed the waiting room as soon as the train departed and Lunsford, as he alleges, was compelled to sit out in the cool night air laden with dampness from the near-by waters of the Potomac and took a violent cold. Lunsford further alleged that owing to his inability to see after nightfall, owing to a particular ocular affection, he was unable to seek shelter in his home until daylight.

Bryan Gordon represented the complainant and Barbour Keith and Moore, of Fairfax C. H., the Railway company.

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WHITE ROSE FLOUR Try our new brand. Fine as silk for Biscuits, Pastry, etc., and comes cheaper.	HAMMOND HORSE FEED Sells like hot cakes. Try us on all goods before ordering.
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\$2.50 Heavy Lap Robes go at	\$1.75
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\$1.50 Storm Aprons go at	90c
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\$1.25 Hunting Coats go at	85c
60c Military Leggings go at	40c
60c Horse Rugs and Buggy Mats	45c
\$1.50 Storm Aprons go at	90c
\$1.50 Military Ponchos go at	90c
60c Hassocks go at	40c
10c Oil Cloths go at	4c
\$2.50 Suit Cases go at	\$1.75
75c Coffee Mills go at	45c
75c Porcelain Preserving Kettles go at	40c

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way. No doubt she was worried because she feared he couldn't take care of himself. But he would show her...

And lo! the doctor had confirmed his fears and what was still more strange, had brought up the very vision that disturbed him...

PEARLS OF THOUGHT. For ignorance to have its uses it is necessary that some one else have it...

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The Figure in the Doorway.

Now John Ridgeway Came to Go Back to It After Thirty Years. (W. R. Ross in Cleveland Plain Dealer.)

A man was fumbling with the lock of the long low shed at the foot of the sloping lawn. The man was John Ridgeway, and he was the owner of the sloping lawn and the low shed...

He didn't go back. Instead he knocked about the streets doing odd jobs and often wishing he could see the patient figure in the doorway of the old house again...

When John Ridgeway opened his aching eyes he was lying in a dark room, but he could faintly make out the anxious face of the fine old doctor...

Sometimes a casual individual turns out to be of some use in the world, but mostly he is too casual. In the natural order of things talking about our neighbors comes under the head of unfinished business...

THE LAST YEW FOREST. Plan to Preserve Primeval Woodland in Bavaria. A bit of primeval yew forest is still to be found in the Bavarian highlands of Germany...

He had not slept well for several nights. The quiet of the place failed to soothe his irritable brain. The simple remedies given him by the fine, old doctor whom he had reluctantly consulted, proved unavailing...

His affairs were at a very discouraging ebb when the tide turned. He had quieted and subdued a young horse that was driven by an elderly man, and the elderly man had been so much impressed by the boy's courage and cleverness that he had taken him into his employ...

The doctor went down. "How long was I falling?" he whispered. "One of the villagers happened to have his watch in his hand when he caught sight of you," the doctor answered. "He saw the aeroplane collapse and watched your fall. You were swooped up by the planes and the descent from the moment of the disaster until you dropped into the mill pond was exactly thirty seconds..."

WOMAN, OUR HOMEMAKER. Somewhat sarcastic slur on masculine supremacy. As we men frequently admit, it is our chivalrous regard for woman which leads us to desire that she shall change her abode...

See Answer. Fortunately, if it may be so put, the old trees are all more or less rotted and their wood thus rendered useless for to this fact undoubtedly is due their preservation. A small part of the yew woodland belongs to the community of Paterszell, but by far the greater part is included in the State forest reserve...

BACHELORS' EXCUSES

At a wedding breakfast the bachelors were called upon to give their reasons for remaining so. The following were among them: "I am like the frog in the fable, who, though he loved the water, would not jump into the well because he could not jump out again..."

sent money to her with a palpable air of urgency and occasionally he wrote. But the picture grew dimmer. He went abroad. He returned with great captures of industry. They recognized him as a rising force. He set himself up. He was one of their number...

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Her safe course. Mrs. Wilson's husband was often obliged to travel on business and frequently did not reach home till after midnight. His wife had been in the habit of sleeping peacefully at these times, but a number of burglaries in the neighborhood during one of Mr. Wilson's trips had disturbed her calm...

Tomato Soup—One cup of tomatoes; or 1 quart of fresh tomatoes, sliced and boiled in 3 pints of water one and one-half hours and strained. 1 table-spoon of flour, dissolved in water and stirred in. butter the size of an egg. 1 pint of milk (boiled) scalded and poured in just before it is ready for the table. A little pinch of soda improves it. Some add a spoonful of oatmeal and thinned cream is a great improvement. Season with a little salt and pepper.

Now he was going to take flight in it. It had behaved so well the day before in its short flight that he had perfect confidence in it. "It only needs a light breeze or two and a general tightening to be entirely seaworthy," Crandall had said as he glanced the craft over. "Airworthy," John Ridgeway corrected him...

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IGNACIO LUPO THE WOLF, GETS 30 YEARS

Leader of the Black Hand Gang and Counterfeiter.

HE WAS A FUGITIVE OF THE FEDERAL PRISON AT ATLANTA.

Band of Six Italians Got Record Breaking Terms in Federal Prison—Lupo Believed To Have Caused Death of the Famous Italian Detective Who Was Assassinated—Prisoners and Women Praise in Court.

New York (Special).—The eight Sicilians—Ignacio Lupo, the "Wolf," Giuseppe Morello, Antonio Cecala, Nicola Sylvester, Vincenzo Giglia, Salvatore Cina, Giuseppe Callicchio and Giuseppe Palermo—who have been on trial for counterfeiting before Judge Ray, in the United States Court for nearly four weeks, were found guilty on all six counts in the indictment and sentenced to serve record terms in the federal prison at Atlanta, Ga.

Lupo, who is regarded as the principal leader in Black Hand operations and is counterfeiting in this country as well as the most desperate criminals among the Italians here, respectively. These are the severest sentences ever imposed for counterfeiting. The maximum penalty for each count of the indictment is 15 years and a fine of \$10,000. Lupo is said to have been the most responsible for the death of Lieut. Joseph Petrosini.

In passing sentence, Judge Ray took only the first and second counts, which charge the making of the two and five-dollar notes, suspending sentence on the remaining four counts. The eight sentences of imprisonment figure to a total of 150 years and the fines aggregate \$6,600. The first of the convicted men called to the bar was Giuseppe Callicchio. Callicchio is an elderly man and as the sentence of 17 years in prison and a fine of \$400 was pronounced he broke down and wept hysterically. He is the only one of the bar for sentence. When the words pronouncing sentence of 25 years for the first count were heard, Morello, Nicola Sylvester, who is only a boy and acted as a messenger for the counterfeiting gang, was first sentenced to serve 15 years and pay a fine of \$1,000.

When Lupo was summoned for sentence he walked boldly to the bar. He kept a stiff upper lip until his counsel began his strong plea for mercy for him, when he suddenly broke down and wept long and bitterly. Judge Ray remarked that he believed that the verdict of the jury was perfectly just and in regard to his testimony on the witness stand that he killed Lieutenant Petrosini in Palermo in self-defense he pronounced sentence on himself when he fled the country. When Judge Ray finally pronounced sentence, 30 years in the federal prison at Atlanta, Lupo took the sentence in absolute silence.

A BOY'S MAD PRANK

Created Panic in School by Shouting a Bomb Was in Cellar.

New York (Special).—Look out, there's a bomb going to explode in the cellar in a minute! was the cry that startled the several hundred pupils of a Brooklyn school.

The resulting panic was instant and narrowly escaped being disastrous. The children rushed for the exits screaming with fear. Luckily, the teachers were ample and the efforts were successful enough to prevent serious injury to any of the pupils. There was no explosion and investigation disclosed no bomb or other explosive in the cellar.

It did develop, however, that a boy with black hair stuck in his head had taken a notion to play a serious prank rushing into the school and shouting the alarm so that his voice could be heard all over the building. The police are looking for this boy.

A Hen Is a Bird

Washington, D. C. (Special).—A hen is a bird is the official declaration of the United States Treasury Department. Its customs experts made this ruling in response to the inquiries of one of the department's correspondents, who called attention to the fact that the Payne tariff law levied a duty of 1.05 a dozen on hen's eggs while at the same time hen's eggs are admitted duty free.

Imposing the duty of 1.05 a dozen on hen's eggs is specific, so that although a hen is usually declared to be a bird, its products will have to pay the tariff rate.

A MOVE FOR PEACE MADE IN NICARAGUA

The Foreign Consuls Offer Their Good Offices.

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Lives Snuffed Out in the Coal Mine Disaster at Cherry, Ill.—Shut In An Air-Tight Chamber With The Temperature Above Blood Heat—The Corpses Dried Up As If In Ancient Tombs Of Egypt And Well Preserved.

Managua (Special).—The consular body resident here voted to offer its good offices as peace mediator between the government and the insurgents under General Estrada. The move is considered an important one far beyond the international character of the body the members are versed in Nicaraguan affairs and men of more or less influence. The American consul is Jose de Olivaros, a native of California and who was appointed from Missouri in 1906.

A committee composed of the British, Italian and Spanish consuls was appointed and later visited President Madriz, who was found to be in sympathy with the object of the consuls, but unwilling to state the terms upon which he would make peace with the insurgents.

The consuls also communicated with Rear Admiral Kimball, United States Navy, asking him to transmit by wireless a message in which the consuls condemned further shedding of blood, offering the mediation of the consular body and asking the insurgent leader to submit the terms demanded by the revolutionists.

COL. ROOSEVELT'S TOUR

Will Visit French Capital Before Going To Berlin.

Berlin (Special).—Former President Roosevelt, replying to an official inquiry, telegraphed to the Foreign Office from Gondokoro that he expected to be in Berlin between Paris and it, coming here from Paris, which city, contrary to expectations here, he will visit first. He will be in the French capital during the last few days of April.

Mr. Roosevelt has an engagement in London for May 15 and so will be obliged to leave Berlin a day or two before that date. Nothing has been decided at yet regarding the manner in which the distinguished American will be entertained here.

WASHINGTON BY TELEGRAPH

Manager Stephen Birch, of the Guggenheim-Morgan syndicate, testified before the Senate committee on the wealth of the Alaskan coal fields.

The National Monetary Commission issued a bulletin showing the part that checks and credit documents play in the business of the country.

The Rivers and Harbors Appropriation Bill was taken up by the Senate Committee on Commerce.

Senator Stephen B. Elkins was elected president at the annual meeting of the University Club.

Senator Jeff Davis made an attack on Senator Owen in a speech opposing a bill granting a right of way to a pipe line through Kansas, but was the only Senator to vote against the bill.

The Senate listened to a discussion of the bill authorizing \$20,000,000 worth of certificates for the completion of irrigation projects.

ENTOMBED DEAD TURN MUMMIES

Eleven Miners as Natural as in Life.

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Cherry, Ill. (Special).—Eleven bodies of miners were recovered from the St. Paul coal mine. In the amassment of veteran mine inspectors the bodies, entombed since last November 13, when brought to the surface were found to be almost perfectly mummified.

The mummified condition was brought about by the bodies having during the three months been a part of mine which was dry and warm, and the bodies were found through a slow process of drying up.

This is one of the most remarkable incidents of a disaster which has been full of wonders, declared an old mine inspector. "The mummies are in such good preservation that they might have been taken out of the ancient tombs of Egypt."

Fighting through fire and the deadly black damp which ever since the disaster has stood between them and the 165 or more bodies still entombed in the mine, the rescuers found the 11 bodies in what is known as the second level. They were about 175 feet from the main air-shaft. The men, instead of retreating to remoter parts of the mine, evidently had made a desperate effort to escape when the fire broke out and they were among the first to die. They were found with their arms stretched forward and face down, having been suffocated as they ran, probably by a gust of heat and gas.

Dead in air-tight chambers when the mine was flooded with water, the mummies were found in a position which was a little above blood heat. Their clothing was so badly scorched and their features so badly disfigured by falling rock that identification was difficult.

Fire is still raging in the mine. A new tunnel, or entry, 150 feet long, had to be cut around a fire area before the bodies were reached. As soon as the opening was made work was begun on barricading with concrete all the fire areas. Four other bodies were seen in the same place, and these will be brought up.

Among the 11 bodies recovered was that of John McGill, a boy. When the alarm of fire spread through the mine last November McGill's father strapped his son to a bed and several hundred feet before he fell unconscious. The father was taken out by rescuers and revived. The boy could not be taken out because of fire. The father is now working to help clear the mine.

NEW PHASE OF THE PROBLEM

High Cost of Living Leads To A Suit For Support.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The high cost of living was formally brought before the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia by Mrs. Mary W. Heath in a petition which she filed to compel her husband, Spencer Heath, a local patent attorney, to support her and her two children. A couple of years ago, Mrs. Heath says she and her husband started and she embarked in the boarding-house business. She declares that the increase in the cost of food has made her boarding-house unprofitable, and she now demands aid from her husband. The husband has been ordered to appear and show cause why he should not pay alimony.

HITS AN ICEBERG AND GOES DOWN

The Alaskan Liner Yucatan Lost During a Snowstorm.

STATISTICIAN SAYS ARE RECOVERED

Below Fishing—Ship Rams The Monster And Tears Great Hole In Its Side—Headed Full Speed For Shore, But Goes To Bottom In Eight Minutes—Men And Women Reach The Island—Row Fifteen Miles For Help.

Juneau, Alaska, February 17.—The steel steamship Yucatan, of the Alaskan Steamship Company, formerly a yacht used by George W. Perkins, of New York, bound from Valdez to Seattle, with 65 passengers, struck an iceberg in Jay Strait yesterday and sank within eight minutes in six fathoms of water at high tide. There was no loss of life, and so far as is known, no one was injured.

The Yucatan was bound for Gypsum on Chichagof Island, to take on a cargo of gypsum. When Jay Strait was reached the water was smooth, but there were great fields of ice. The ship was falling so heavily that it was impossible to see far ahead. Capt. W. P. Porter was on the bridge with the pilot, Capt. John Johnson, who commanded the steamship Ohio when she was lost in British Columbia waters last summer.

Slow steam was ordered and the steamer crept through the ice. Presently an iceberg loomed up ahead and the steamship jammed it, tearing a great hole in the side of the vessel. Full steam ahead was ordered and the Yucatan was beached on Chichagof Island. The boat was lowered and all on board were taken ashore without mishap or confusion. The 10 women passengers were taken off first. Food and bedding and the United States mail also were saved.

On the island the castaways found cabins, and with sufficient food, clothing, blankets and wood, are not likely to suffer. Many passengers lost their personal effects.

Room after the snow had landed Captain Johnson, First Mate Gustafson and four sailors put off in a lifeboat to seek aid. After rowing 15 miles they sighted the fishing schooner Alexandria. Captain Johnson and the sailors turned back to the island in the lifeboat, while Captain Jaeger and Mate Gustafson set out for Juneau in a gasoline launch, which broke down after going a short distance. The two men had difficulty in getting their craft to a Hoonah Indian village. The Indians refused to lend them a boat and the white men were obliged to row the heavy launch to Juneau.

Mate Gustafson could not say whether the Yucatan could be saved. It is a steel-hulled ship at Chichagof, Pa., in 1890, and was valued at \$300,000. Last summer she was equipped as a private yacht at an expense of \$50,000 and, flying the flag of the New York Yacht Club, carried George W. Perkins, of New York, and a party of friends on a pleasure trip along the Alaskan coast. After this trip the Yucatan was reconverted to a commercial boat.

TO PREVENT FLOODS

French Commission Begins Studying The Problem.

Paris (Special).—The commission of engineers, technicians and scientists appointed to make an exhaustive study of the causes of the recent food and of the measures necessary to prevent a recurrence of the disaster began work under the presidency of Alfred Picard, civil engineer and former Minister of Marine.

Reider elaborating plans to keep the River Seine within its banks, projecting walls or a cutoff to divert the waters around the city, the commission is expected to suggest a specific for all defects in the public services, including the surging and subway lines and the sewer, gas, electricity, telegraph and telephone systems, which were developed during the war.

CALLS CONGRESS TO THE RESCUE

Taft Wants Publicity in Tax Returns.

OF CORPORATIONS CANNOT OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION THE RETURNS

Of Corporations Cannot Open To Public Inspection The Returns Of Corporations—\$50,000 Is Provided For Clerical Hire—Snake Found In A Former Act—President Reminds An Opinion.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The returns made by corporations under the law imposing a tax of 1 per cent. on their net incomes are not to be open to public inspection unless Congress makes an appropriation specifically providing for accommodations and clerical help for that purpose.

Somebody has discovered that an act passed in 1882 expressly prohibits the Secretary of the Treasury from using any part of the appropriation of \$100,000 made by Congress for the "expenses of collecting the corporation tax" in the employment of persons within the District of Columbia.

President Taft is of opinion that Congress intended that the returns, original and corrected, should be open to inspection as are court records, and in a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury he has suggested that if the construction which seems to him to be the right one is to be carried into execution there must be an appropriation of \$50,000 for the specific purpose.

Following the President's suggestion, Charles D. Norton, acting secretary of the Treasury, has submitted to the Speaker of the House an estimate for an appropriation to the amount stated.

Strong opposition had developed to the publicity feature of the Corporation Tax Law and President Taft and his advisers have frequently conferred on the question of reaching a basis of administration of the act. The issue now is squarely before Congress and much interest is manifested as to whether that body in effect will re-enact the existing publicity provision by striking the words "within the District of Columbia" from the act.

President Taft's attitude and views on the subject are set forth in the following letter to the Secretary of the Treasury: "The White House, Washington, February 16, 1919. My Dear Mr. Secretary: On the question as to the meaning of paragraph 6 of the Corporation Excise Law, in section 33 of the tariff act of August 5, 1905, I have very little doubt. It seems to me that it was intended by Congress that the returns, original and corrected, and not the documents and evidence taken upon investigation, should be open to inspection, as are court records."

"I understand the difficulty that presents itself to you, to wit: That Congress, in the urgent deficiency bill of August 5, 1905, appropriated \$100,000 for the expenses of collecting the corporation tax, and that it was assumed that this would enable you to do a proper part of the sum for increasing your clerical and other assistance needed to give the opportunity for the public inspection specifically provided in the act. It will require at least \$50,000, properly to index and display the returns of more than 400,000 corporations, to house them in rooms convenient to access for the public and to provide clerks for the care and custody of them under such conditions."

"By a new item out, however, that by action of the act of August 5, 1882, the Secretary of the Treasury is expressly prohibited from using any part of the appropriation of \$100,000 made in the words of the statute already quoted for the employment of persons within the District of Columbia. In other words, therefore, no appropriation exists with which to make the returns of corporations a public record available for public inspection in any different manner from that in which other internal revenue records are public records."

"In my judgment, the failure to make a specific appropriation for the purpose was an oversight, due to the suspension that the \$100,000 might be applied in part to the purpose under discussion, and that it was, as already said, the intention of Congress to make these records different from the ordinary internal revenue records and really subject to general public inspection."

MADRIZ ARMY IN MATAGALPA

Insurgents Evacuate City in the Night.

GENERAL CHAMORRO HAD NO CANNON

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Managua (Special).—The forces of President Madriz have again taken possession of Matagalpa, which on February 16 was occupied by General Chamorro, one of the insurgent leaders.

The bombardment of the city, which was begun Sunday night, after negotiations had been given to the non-combatants to withdraw, was abandoned for some hours, and began again Tuesday. The government forces had heavy guns on the hills, but the insurgents were able to move to the city long enough to get there, therefore, deemed it advisable to retreat, and under cover of darkness evacuated Matagalpa at an early hour this morning.

Generals Lara, Chavarria, Martinez and Rivas, each of whom commanded sections of the government troops, occupied the city at noon. Chamorro did not escape any too soon, as he was nearly surrounded by the government forces, which had been brought up as quickly as the condition of the country would permit during the last few days.

It is reported here that General Chamorro has broken away from General Estrada and proclaimed himself president. Overtures have been made to President Madriz by Chamorro through the medium of the American consular agent, W. H. De Savigny at Matagalpa, for the reestablishment of peace. Chamorro's offer, embodied in a letter, is now in the hands of Vice Consul Caldera, and President Madriz has not yet been officially informed of the proposal, but he has already given his answer, which is that unconditional surrender and imprisonment of Chamorro are the only terms acceptable.

Lieutenant Commander Symington, U. S. N., and Lieutenant Price, U. S. N., are proceeding to Matagalpa to observe the operations. It is stated that Rear Admiral Kimball has dispatched Lieutenant Commander Symington for the purpose of offering mediation to the belligerents, but with instructions to do nothing abruptly.

NIGHT RIDERS CONSPIRATORS

Federal Court Indicts 12 Under Interstate Law.

Cincinnati (Special).—The first blow struck by the United States against alleged Night Riders was delivered when a Federal grand jury at Covington, Ky., returned indictments against 12 men of Dry Ridge, Ky., for conspiracy in restraint of trade. One of the men indicted is John S. Stearns, a member of the State Legislature.

The defendants conspired to prevent W. T. Osborne from shipping four tons of heads of tobacco from Dry Ridge to Cincinnati, and that they threatened by threats of violence both Osborne and the station agent at Dry Ridge.

Smallpox On Cruiser Fatal

Port Townsend, Wash. (Special).—John Bohning, 22 years old, a native of Kansas, is the second member of the crew of the armored cruiser Washington to die of smallpox since the warship returned from Honolulu. Bohning died at the Diamond Head Quarantine Station, where three other sailors are in a serious condition suffering from the same malady. One is Estasia P. O. Grimm.

EASTERN COLLEGE DEPARTMENT

Conducted by CLYDE L. RUDY

BRILLIANT SEASON ON DIAMOND FIELD

STRONG LINE-UP FOR BASE BALL SEASON

New Men To Be Given Tryout When Weather Permits Practice - Fine Schedule - Sixteen Games at Home - Arrivals Long Tour.

In the past Eastern always has held a place second to none in base ball. Her teams have won their college fame wherever they have played. This year, also, we expect to excel. Much more is being given to the players. We all rejoice in having back, Mabry, our last year's catcher, and feel confident in his support at his old place. White, our first baseman and outfielder last year, and strong full-back on the "naughty-nine" foot ball team, is with us for the conflict this year, also. Sparrow, our third baseman of last year.

The new men offer some excellent material and will be given a try-out as soon as the weather permits.

FINE SCHEDULE

Eastern this year has one of the best schedules in her history. There will be sixteen games played at home. The schedule away from home carries the team through Southern Virginia and North Carolina, as well as trips to Washington, New York and other Northern cities.

The season will open at home on March 22, at which time we will cross bats with the team from Maryland Agricultural College. The management will put out a winning team and feel assured of the support of the students and townspeople. The schedule is as follows:

GAMES AT HOME

- March 22, Maryland Agricultural College
- March 24, Catholic University
- March 30, St. John's College
- April 2, Wake Forest
- April 9, Eastern Military Institute
- April 15, Western Maryland College
- April 16, Guilford College
- April 25, Mt. St. Joseph College
- May 6, Shenandoah Collegiate Institute
- May 7, Mt. Washington Club
- May 19 and 20, V. P. I.
- May 30, 31 and June 1, Frederick, Md.

GAMES ABROAD

- April 19, Georgetown University, Washington, D. C.
- April 24, Maryland Agricultural College, Park, Md.

SOUTHERN TRIP

- April 27, Catholic University, Wash.
- April 28, Guilford College, N. C.
- April 29, St. John's College, Durham, N. C.
- May 2, A. & M. College, West Raleigh, N. C.
- May 8, Wake Forest College, N. C.
- May 14, Guilford College, Wash.

MARYLAND TRIP

- May 17, Eastern Military Institute, Warrenton, Va.
- May 18, Mt. St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Md.

NORTHERN TRIP

- May 25, Fordham University, New York
- May 27, City College of New York, New York

On account of the heavy run of news this week we have to hold some of it over until next issue.

SPLENDID WORK BY

JEFFERSON LITERARY SOCIETY

PROMINENT FACTOR IN LIFE OF COLLEGE

Striking Moral Tone - Gives Training Difficult to Outward Success - Jefferson Society Fights With Pride Its Splendid Record.

To say how far the modern literary society is beneficial to a college student is to answer a hard question. Today college presidents and educators lay a great stress on the work. What would a good college be without a literary society? It would not be complete. It would lack one of the great pillars to support the perfect arch.

Eastern life always has been supported on one side by the Jeffersonian Literary Society and on the other by the Washington Living. Now to mention to the old alumnus the name of Eastern, calls up in his mind, as a great and pleasant reminiscence one of these names.

STRIKING MORAL TONE

The Jefferson has turned out some great college orators, men who have been able to hold their own ground against any other speaker. We know that in our experience it has been true that boys who come up in September are able by June to put up a good debate.

The best thing about the society is its striking moral tone. Under its constitution one who produces any vulgar or slang expression is subject to a fine. It is the training of the perfect gentleman. It stands today as strong as ever. While there has been another society organized by some of the members, it has only strengthened our standing.

MUCH TALENT

The old saying that "you never miss the water 'til the well has run dry" is quite true in this case. That we have talent with us yet is clearly shown on every program. And, best of all, there is no friction in the running.

Our officers show that they are able to perform their duty with great credit to themselves and the organization. The society is run by the latest parliamentary rules. All formalities of great legislative bodies are strictly adhered to in our management. When a member leaves us he is able to preside over any body he chooses.

STRIVE FOR HIGHEST

Every member strives to do his best. Now what can you expect from such effort? To be a member of the Jeffersonian Literary Society for a few years, or even months, gives that to a student in Eastern College which he cannot find elsewhere.

The following program will be rendered on Friday, February 25:

Reading..... M. W. Marise
Literary Chronicle..... H. H. Clary
Debate..... C. W. Norman
Should Pass the Ship Subsidy Bill.
Affirmative, J. A. Myers and G. L. Mabry.
Negative, H. W. Sowers and R. L. Cochran.

Boys! That college spirit looked and sounded good Tuesday. Let's keep it up and let 'em know we are here. A good yell or song at the right time sounds well.

Y. W. C. A. POWER

MEMBERSHIP STADILY INCREASES AND ENTHUSIASM

INTEREST CENTERS IN ORGANIZATION

Membership steadily increases and enthusiasm makes work - Day of Prayer, Sunday, February 27 - Numerous Social Activities.

The Y. W. C. A. of Eastern college found but four of its members left to carry on the work at the opening of the present school year. At once there was a re-organization and a strong association of four-teen members entered with enthusiasm into the work, their numbers being augmented later by new recruits.

FOR CHRISTIAN UPLIFT

The aim of the organization is the cultivation in its members of the abundant life - the all-round development of Christian womanhood. As a help to this end, short daily prayer meetings have been held with weekly devotional meetings, with special subject for thought and discussion. Delegates were sent from the association to both the Richmond convention of the Y. W. C. A., and the Rochester, N. Y., convention of Students' Christian organizations, both of which are deeply inspirational. As a result of the Rochester meeting, a course in mission study was begun with a review of the missionary work of St. Paul to be followed by a study of the missions in China, Japan and Korea. The thank-offerings of the Association mite boxes are to be devoted to missions.

MANY SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The needs of the social nature have been met by receptions to the new students at the beginning of each term, with several socials during the term, and by meetings for carrying out the plans of the Association for helping the world about us. Eighteen dolls were dressed with complete costume and given for Christmas gifts to children of Washington, D. C., Hospital for Cripples. Candy sales and entertainments have resulted in a substantial sum to be used by the Territorial Committee of Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina in this district.

ENCOURAGE ATHLETICS

Athletics are encouraged. A basket ball team was formed and will resume its practice as soon as possible. Long walks with picnic lunches were enjoyed until late fall.

The Inter-Collegian, a monthly magazine, together with letters from inter-collegiate committees, keeps the Association in touch with the work in other colleges.

DAY OF PRAYER

Sunday, February 27, will be observed by student bodies all over the world as day of prayer for spiritual progress among the students and their associates.

The Eastern College association has sought to enlist the membership of the young women of Manassas and has extended invitations through the town students to attend the meetings. The talk given by Miss Bunker, the traveling secretary of this district, was enjoyed by a number of women from the town. But as yet, the Association, counts but one outside member.

A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY

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I am so confident that bloodine will cure anybody afflicted with cataract that I will gladly supply it to any patient on a positive guarantee to cure, or money will be cheerfully refunded as it is taken. If your druggist does not keep bloodine you can be supplied by The Bloodine Laboratories, Boston, Mass., at 50c a bottle, or six bottles for \$2.50.

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THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF EASTERN COLLEGE

There is nothing that marks the Christian trend of the world so permanently, or the general assertion that "there is but one God and none but Him," so assertively as the Y. M. C. A. movement.

This only makes the movement the greater. Its trend is to unify and harmonize mankind in his mission on earth. Be fruitful and multiply, and well-meaning thought to apply only to his physical progress, but today the world's significance of it is broader and far more reaching - it applies to the spiritual progress as well. The one man who lives without the other is true, for the one gives life, the other light, one being the other living. The man who lives a life after the flesh is a one-sided man with no hope, no charity, no life.

In these days with all the advantages man has, every young man is more or less a "fly" in the world - a spider, whose web is the world, and whose web is the fly. Unless he has the proper association and good counsel, he will be a fly, poor fellow he is wrapped in a web and becomes the prey of a monster whose battery lived him to his doom.

The Y. M. C. A. stands as counsel against such and invites the young man to come into its association. It lays before him two roads of life - with the land of their termination exposed.

One offers a life of service with satisfaction and joy derived therefrom - with its firmness in the land of sunshine and flowers where each shall be the happy participants in the life eternal. The other promises everything now, with no reward. Its terminal lies in the land of darkness, where the spirits of rebellion grope and fight madly against all creation to drag it down. There the life is spent unharmoniously - ever at variance - and striving to undo what should have been done.

That is a critical juncture, for here the life of the wicked is ever employed to undo what the Christian has done, and, too, it is ever at variance with the laws of nature. A wicked man practices the most vicious things upon himself - he strangles, the gambler, the libertine are examples.

Against all this and for all that Christ and Christianity stand in the position of the Y. M. C. A. of Eastern. The weekly program is held Tuesday evening at 8:45 o'clock, and a most remarkable interest is shown on the part of the young men in the work. It shows a goodly disposition of a large number of them to prepare and fit themselves for the best possible action in life that they may be of benefit to both themselves and their God.

In such gatherings as these and from such young men as are trained in this great Christian movement, it is and will come the men who will solve the future of our nation and of the world. Through

the student movement is the working out of God's plan of regeneration, of men and of nations.

Sunday, Feb. 27, the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. have set apart as the day of prayer for the student movement throughout the world, and as our special friends and brothers in a common cause the various churches of this town and surrounding villages are requested to hold a short service of prayer in behalf of the great movement.

We extend open arms and cordial welcome through an open door to the young men of this town and country around to attend our services on Tuesday evening at 8:45 o'clock each week. It will be more than a delight to have the association of our town and county students, because we believe it would build up that feeling of fellowship most conducive to the well being of all. There should be a tie that binds us all so closely together that one should mean the other. We should be inseparable, Eastern College and Manassas.

Student Secretary M. W. Lee was with us last Thursday and Friday in the interest of our association and the spiritual welfare of the college. He is highly pleased with the work we have been doing and complimented us on our enthusiasm. Mr. Lee addressed the students Thursday and Friday evenings. We are looking forward to another visit from Mr. Lee in the near future.

TOPICS OF THE TOWN

The board of county supervisors will meet Saturday.

Miss Maude Willis left Saturday on a visit to Harrisonburg.

Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson was a Washington visitor on Tuesday.

Miss Mattie B. Weir, of Washington, spent Sunday at home here.

Miss Ellen Lynch has been appointed teacher of the Groveton school.

Miss Frances Wilson, of Clifton, was in town, shopping, on Saturday.

B. Conway Taylor, editor of The Journal, was ill several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lynch, of Culpeper, were the guests Sunday of Mrs. L. E. Pope.

Miss Winnie V. Holden spent several days this week with her sister, Mrs. E. Wood Weir.

The Penh-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas company sold more than five hundred shares of its stock last week.

Miss Minnie Makin and Miss Hilda English, of Alexandria, are visiting Miss Maude Allensworth.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Griffith are confined to their beds with severe cases of LaGrippe with pneumonia tendency.

Dr. H. M. Clarkson, who has been quite unwell for some time past, is very much better and was in town, on business, Saturday.

E. N. Pattie, of Catharpin, and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Lynn, of Milford, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wheeler, last Saturday.

Several new mail cars equipped with electric lights passed through Manassas this week for the South. The same type of cars will be used on through runs via Manassas.

One of the attractions, at the passenger depot, on Saturday, was a blind pet crow. The owner asserted that, by spitting the bird's tongue he had enabled it to speak some words quite distinctly.

W. B. Doak, proprietor of the Woodbury farm, near Clifton, paid the office of THE DEMOCRAT a friendly call on Monday and expressed his good wishes by placing his name upon our subscription list.

Mrs. William A. Gaines, 87 years old, mother of Mrs. B. T. Griffith, of Manassas, died on Sunday morning at the Griffith home of heart failure. The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon and the interment was in the Manassas cemetery.

The first "meet" of the small boys marble players, of this season, took place in front of THE DEMOCRAT office, on Saturday, and was the scene of spirited contentions for the championship. A large number of marbles changed ownership in a short time, and several quit the game with double the number started in with.

J. F. Davis, representing The American Agriculturist, a high class farm journal issued by the Orange Judd company, of New York, is in town. A fine premium worthy a place in any home, is given with each subscription to The Agriculturist. It is an encyclopedic map of the world, with sectional maps of the United States and of the Panama canal.

Many are availing themselves of the opportunity to secure a comprehensive standard dictionary free, by securing five paid advance yearly subscribers to THE DEMOCRAT. This deluxe leather edition retails at four dollars, and is one of the best dictionaries of the English language published. It defines more than 38,000 words including 3,000 new terms and contains more than 100 pictorial illustrations.

Miss Marie Letimer, of Washington, was a week-end guest of Mrs. E. Wood Weir.

A mother's meeting will be held tomorrow at the home of Mrs. C. L. Hynson.

Dr. Hamner will conduct public worship at Greenwood church, near Minnieville, next Sunday afternoon at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. M. S. Moffett spent Sunday in Harrisonburg, with her daughter, Miss M. Lodge, who is attending the State Normal school.

The Manassas Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will meet in their room in the M. I. C. building next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Raymond Hixson, who has been confined to his room with muscular rheumatism for the past month and who had so far recovered as to be able to go about the house, was reported much worse again, on Tuesday.

The fire department was called out shortly before noon yesterday on account of the burning out of a fire at the residence of Mrs. Edith Lipscomb, on Center street, which resulted in much excitement, but no damage to property.

The Woman's Christian Temperance union and the Loyal Temperance legion will unite in celebrating Frances Willard Memorial day. This meeting will be held in the Baptist church, Sunday, Feb. 27, at 3 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Anna Shacklett, a sister of the late Mrs. William Temple Smith of Manassas, and who was a Miss Reade, died at the home of Miss Eugene Osborne, in this place, on last Thursday night, and her body was taken to Harrisonburg on Friday morning for interment.

Ben Lee, fireman on freight train No. 174 north, while taking water for his engine at the stand pipe at this station, on last Thursday night, fell upon the railway tracks and received several injuries about the head. He was taken on Friday morning to his home in Strasburg.

Vice-President Nash, of the Manassas Auto Club, says that the shipment of cars ordered last week are expected to arrive here within the next ten days. He says, further, that there is plenty of time owing to the condition of the roads before these cars can be put in service. A carload of flying machines is expected, he says, about the same time for use in the interim.

The dinner and supper given in the M. I. C. building, on Friday, by Manassas chapter of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, for the benefit of the W. C. T. U. local and state work, was a financial success. The receipts amounted to about \$60. The menu furnished was quite satisfactory and the courteous attention of the waiters all that could be desired.

A gentleman from Fairfax county, and who is an official of the Farmers Institute of the eighth Congressional district, wants to know what action has been taken by the board of supervisors of Prince William county towards building the bridge over Bull Run, at Yates' ford, in accordance with the joint agreement of the Special Commissioners of Prince William and Fairfax counties some time since.

W. J. Hubert, past grand high priest, and grand lecturer of Royal Arch Masons of Virginia, conferred the Royal Arch degree upon members of Manassas lodge last week as follows: Claude Harrell, of Nokesville, Robt. W. Adams and W. M. Haden, of Manassas, N. Kyle, J. C. Kinchloe and L. S. Booker, of Clifton, Bay, J. A. T. Martella and William H. Henry, S., and Henry W. Dodge, of Haymarket. These gentlemen are now full fledged members of Royal Arch chapter No. 59.

Miss Evelyn Wenrich leaves Monday for Baltimore.

Frederick Vollbrecht is to open an upholstery establishment at his residence.

Miss Nettie Ardella, of Washington, was here several days this week on business and visiting friends.

W. N. Merchant, Jr., left Sunday to take a position as manager for the American Horse exchange at New York.

Albert Grigaby, a negro, who is charged with a felony, was admitted to bail, on Monday, until the April term of the court.

Sidney Thompson, a student of Eastern college, left today for his home, on the sick list, and will have to undergo an operation for catarrhal affection.

E. C. Moser, of Culpeper, paid his brothers a short visit here this week enroute for Warrenton, where he will engage in business with his brother James F. Moser.

F. M. Osborne, formerly of Grayson county, Va., has purchased the Adam Givens estate, near Haymarket, and has taken possession of the same. We welcome Mr. Osborne as a citizen of Prince William county.

Mrs. James F. Moser and little daughter, Alloway, left here Saturday for a visit to Mrs. Moser's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beckham, in Culpeper, before going to her new home in Warrenton where Mr. Moser has established himself in business.

W. W. Finley, superintendent of the Southern railway, passed through Manassas enroute for the Manassas division of the road on Monday. On the same date J. R. Budden, superintendent of the Manassas division of the road, spent most of the day here on business.

R. L. Jenkins, of Fairfax county, was a Manassas visitor on Monday. Mr. Jenkins had not forgotten a certain occasion when he, together with a member of THE DEMOCRAT'S staff, helped to devour a thirty-pound turkey at the celebration of M. R. Taylor's sixty-first birthday.

John Strother, of Marshall and Miss Lizzie Robertson, of Nokesville, were married in the New School Baptist church, in this place, yesterday morning, the Rev. T. D. Clarke, pastor of the church, officiating. The happy pair boarded the afternoon train for the home of the groom in Fauquier county.

Edwin A. Newman, of Washington, who has been named, by Chairman Norman E. Mack, of the Democratic national committee, to act with similar Congressional committee in connection with the Jefferson day banquet to be held under the auspices of the Democrats of the District of Columbia, on April 15, was a resident of Manassas from his youth up, and is a brother of Mrs. E. R. Conner and G. E. Newman, of this place.

Henry Saunders, accompanied by his wife and daughter, Miss Ruth, arrived here Monday from Miami, Fla., enroute to Mrs. Saunders' former home, in Rectortown. Mrs. Saunders, who was operated upon last October, is still in delicate health. About twelve years ago Mr. Saunders conducted a large department store on the corner now occupied by the postoffice, and which was then known as "The busy corner." During the greater portion of the time, since Mr. Saunders left Manassas, he has occupied the position of traveling salesman with headquarters at New Orleans, La. Miss Ruth, who was a small girl, when her parents left Manassas, is now a fine specimen of womanhood, and a stranger to what was her playmate's home.

Mrs. D. E. Fair and son Ralph are visiting relatives near Canova.

Mr. and Mrs. Landon A. Wright of Richmond, spent the week-end as guests of Mrs. Wright's parents, near Manassas.

Dr. B. F. Iden performed, on Tuesday, an operation upon Engineer R. L. Brown, of the Southern Railway company, for an abscess in the side as the result of an attack of pneumonia. The operation involved the removal of a portion of a rib in order that proper cleansing and drainage of the wound could be effected.

Washington's birthday was generally observed in Manassas last Tuesday. The banks remained closed, and Sunday hours were effective at the postoffice. The school children were given a holiday after commemorative exercises in the morning. The occasion was made memorable for Eastern college by the dedication of the new assembly building.

Irvin Carlton, infant son, of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Russell, of Canova, died on Monday afternoon, of scarlet fever, age twenty months. The funeral took place from Woodbine church this afternoon, the Rev. T. D. Clarke, pastor of the New School Baptist church of Manassas, officiating. The interment was in the family burial lot near Canova.

There will be an entertainment given, in Nicol hall, tomorrow night by the students of the normal class, and the pupils of the grammar grades of Ruffner school for the benefit of the piano fund. The entertainment will consist of national peasant games, recitations, old plantation songs and scenes from colonial life. Admission adults 25c, children 15c. Tickets at the door.

DEATH OF JOHN BRIGGS.
(Continued.)

Twice since the family moved from Manassas, several years ago, death has stricken the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Briggs. News has just reached here of the death of their son John, aged 19 years. A young daughter, Maude, died shortly after the family located in Oklahoma. John Briggs was about to have graduated from a business college when he was stricken with typhoid fever.

The hard to break the tender chord,
When boys has bound the heart,
The hard, so hard, to speak the word,
We must forever part,
The golden gate was opened,
A gentle voice said "Come,"
And with farewell unspoken,
He calmly entered home.

Our Business is Banking
Banking is Our Business

THE SIGN "BANK" does not make a bank and is often misleading. It requires time, energy, close attention to business, a substantial capital and ripe experience in banking to make a bank. We claim, without blushing, all of the essentials necessary to make our business that of banking, and tender our patrons a service thoroughly seasoned by years of experience, backed by a substantial capital and a large surplus.

"The Bank that Does Things"

The Peoples' National Bank
OF MANASSAS, VA.

DAIRYMEN

We have just stocked a full line of the Dairy Association's cow remedies—Kow Kure, Bag Balm and Grange Garget Cure. When in need of any of these things come and see us.

PRINCE WILLIAM PHARMACY
Manassas, Va.

N. B.—Prescriptions? That's our business.

Are You Listening?

Sucrene
Remains without a Peer!
A Feed That Has Class!

Hear what our own State Department of Agriculture writes:
RICHMOND, VA., January 31, 1910.
Messrs. C. M. LARKIN & Co.,
Manassas, Va.

GENTLEMEN: We beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 29th inst., and note your request to be advised the analysis obtained by this Department for Sucrene Dairy Feed, and we have the pleasure to advise you the analysis made of the above numbered sample of Sucrene Dairy Feed drawn from the stock of Richardson & Company, Richmond, Va., and analyzed in our laboratory, shows the following results:

Protein 17.25 per cent; Fat 7.88 per cent; Crude Fibre 11.25 per cent

All of which comes well above the guarantees of the manufacturers.

Very truly,
(Signed) BENJ. L. PURCELL,
D. D. and P. Commissioner.

Watch this Space and We will Give You Ample Testimony to the Superiority of SUCRENE Feeds

Marvel not that "Marvel Flour" will make about thirty loaves of bread more to the barrel than other brands. Why? Because it makes LIGHT BREAD.

Call or write us for prices on Flour, Feed, Hay, Salt and Grain of all sorts. We are headquarters in these lines. Custom grinding done every day except Saturday.

C. M. Larkin & Co.,
Wholesale and Retail Feed and Grain Dealers,
Manassas, Virginia.

Fine Coffee

We have the finest line of Coffee in town at from 15c to 35c a pound. Our Teas, too, are as fine as the market affords.

A. H. Harrell,
Successor to E. H. Fowell & Co.

FOR SALE

One second hand fire-proof Carey safe in excellent condition. Apply at this office.

PROGRESSIVE NOKESVILLE

Nokesville is gaining wide publicity as a progressive community. Among other state newspapers...

"Nokesville may well be proud of her record as a thriving community. The opening of the bank of Nokesville is a splendid testimonial to the enterprise of the people of that section."

OCCOQUAN NOTES

E. S. Brookett was in town on Saturday. B. Morgan was in Washington this week.

CLIFTON ITEMS

James Wilson has accepted a position in the Nokesville post-office. Mr. W. E. Merchant has resigned his position in the post-office.

REWARD!

No Questions Asked.

There is money in Chickens if they are good layers. FLECK'S will make them lay, and if after feeding them one box, you do not see an increase we will refund your money.

- Fleck's Stock Powder, in 8-lb. Packages 50c
Fleck's Lice Exterminator 25c
Fleck's Heave Remedy 50c
Fleck's Worm Powders 50c
Fleck's Condition Powders 25c

Now is the time to feed them. Now is the time they need it. You run no risk. No results, no pay.

Waters, Wright & Hickey.

Better Potatoes

cannot be had in Virginia. There are about 100 sacks left. These sacks contain 24 bushels (60 lbs. to the bushel) Our price \$2 per Sack.

Crushed Oyster Shells at 60c Per Sack of 100 lbs.

We are headquarters for the famous Seneca Stock Remedies and Poultry Powder.

EASTERN PROVISION CO.

(THE POULTRY STORE)

Country Produce, Raw Furs, Skins, Game, Etc.

Do you know that We Pay a Higher Cash Price for Eggs than you receive in trade from any store in Manassas.

Attention, Farmers!

We have a good stock of American Wire Field and Farm Fence, also Poultry Netting. Agent for American Wire Fence Company.

W. C. WAGENER

Please Order Promptly Filled

Saunders' Market

Tender Steaks, juicy roasts—the very choicest the market affords—are always supplied our customers. Our selection is complete—just what you expect to find in a first-class market.

Deliveries made Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays

Give Us a Trial Satisfaction Guaranteed

WELLINGTON ITEMS

A stray cat is in town. I wonder whose it is? C. C. Leachman has a slight attack of the la grippe.

RAYMARKET NEWS

Richard Belcher spent Sunday with friends in the village. Miss Amy Beane is spending a few days in Washington.

ORLANDO ITEMS

Miss Nettie Heflin, J. M. and R. E. Elliott were Manassas visitors Saturday.

INDEPENDENT HILL NOTES

A. M. Yates is in Woodstock this week. Miss Eula Holmes, of Canova, is assisting in caring for her aunt, Mrs. Robt. Keys.

J. S. Ralls expects to enlarge his storeroom as he intends to increase his stock of merchandise.

The attendance at our school (Goldridge) has greatly decreased on account of sickness among the pupils. Hope they may soon be able to be out in full force again.

The farmers in this section have made very little progress with farm work up to this time owing to unfavorable weather conditions.

The weather here seems to rival that of Kansas as described by an old New England farmer who visited that state many years ago.

Haywood Davis, of Fairfax, was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. John Leary, on Saturday.

Occoquan is gaining ground every day. Being a pugilistic center it can soon boast of dramatic fame.

John R. Selecman, who is chief engineer on a local steamer on the Mattaponi river, spent a few days at his home here this week.

The handsomely equipped gasoline launch Avolente owned by our local physician, Dr. Frank W. Hornbaker, is undergoing repairs at our dock here.

A business meeting of the Senior Epworth League was held on Friday evening at the M. E. church under the supervision of its president, S. N. Carter.

Miss Ruth Carter spent a very pleasant day here on Sunday last as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. N. Carter. She returned to Washington on Sunday evening.

The Rev. T. W. F. Moland preached a very able sermon at the Woodbridge Baptist church on Sunday last, his text being taken from the fifth chapter of Saint Matthew, the forty-fourth verse, "Love your Enemies."

Mrs. Jas. N. Carter was called to Washington very suddenly on Sunday evening last owing to the sudden illness of her brother, Mr. Thomas Turner, who is confined at the home of his sister, Mrs. F. W. Keys, 323 11th street, northeast.

Miss Julia Horner, of Woodbridge, entertained quite a number of friends at her home on Thursday evening last. Among those present from Occoquan were Harry Carter, Leo Beach and Samuel Carter.

There was formed in our town on Thursday evening last an organization to be known as the Occoquan Literary Association.

A pleasant evening was spent at the home of John W. Horton, near Orlando, on Thursday evening last by relatives and friends of the family who gathered there to welcome the coming of Mr. Clarence Horton and his fair young bride of Washington City.

A total and absolute success in the intellectual advancement is the best wishes of the writer and the community at large.

Now and Then OCCASIONAL

QUIRVIVE

I wish to state that I have invented a hand saw to be used with steam or gasoline. It has two handles so two men can turn the machine. It is a ball-bearing machine. I am prepared to furnish a machine of this kind at a very reasonable cost.

NORMAN NICKENS

West Center St., Manassas, Va.

Subscribe for This Democrat.

Are you tortured to death daily with Rheumatism? Buy a bottle of BLOODING OINTMENT...

SEWING MACHINES OF ALL KINDS

Sold on Easy Payments

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Oil and Needles for all kinds of Sewing Machines on hand. Old machines taken in exchange as part payment.

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East Center Street,

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Authorized Capital, \$200,000, Divided into 200,000 Shares

Penn-Vir Coal, Oil & Gas Co.

What it is Doing in Promoting Developments in Virginia

J. W. Latham, President, Calverton, Va.
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 A. D. Riden, Secretary, Haymarket, Va.
 H. W. Dodge, Assistant Secretary, Haymarket, Va.

F. S. Key Smith, Gen. Counsel, 1244 N. York Ave., N. W., Room 345 Evans Bldg., Washington, D. C.
 W. R. Tulloss, General Manager, Haymarket, Va.

DIRECTORS—J. W. Latham, A. D. Riden, O. C. Hutchison, F. S. Key Smith, W. R. Tulloss,
 C. Raymond Ratcliffe, Ralph C. Lupton.

It is necessary that the people in the vicinity of this particular proposition should subscribe for the stock of this company, as it is an absolute fact that in all new fields it has always been up to the local people to develop the first oil, as capitalists never go into undeveloped fields, but are ever ready to take hold of any and all things, when proven valuable.

This company has 23,000 acres of land under lease. This land was leased under the direction of Prof. F. J. Finkbeiner, of Bradford, Penn., an eminent, practical and expert Geologist in field work, who also located the point at which the first well will be drilled. The actual work of sinking the wells will be under the personal supervision of Mr. J. M. Sullivan, an oil and gas expert of life long experience, hence the Company's entire undertaking will be under the management of men of known experience in the oil and gas fields, of not only this, but of many foreign countries—men of experience. The Company has placed 80,000 of its 200,000 shares of capital stock in its treasury for sale, consisting of preferred, guaranteeing 8 per cent accumulative annual dividend, to be paid out of the earnings of the company, and common, to which it will add in the future other stocks when found necessary. The company offers this stock at its par value, \$1.00 per share, but will not accept any subscription for less than five shares. All payments will be made one-half cash and balance in two equal installments of thirty and sixty days from date of subscription. The stock is non-assessable. No certificate will be issued until it is fully paid. As an illustration to the reader of the great profits accruing from the investments in new oil fields here is submitted below the last, and newest development in the United States, the Bremen oil field, and some instances of the paying capacity of this field. The Bremen oil field was a wild cat proposition for fourteen years. The first wells were drilled by a man named J. E. Purvis, who sank his capital in the venture. Though at first unsuccessful, Purvis believed in his proposition, and finally succeeded in getting a few friends to raise enough money to promote a stock company called the Bremen Oil and Gas Company, holding 8,500 acres of leases. The first well drilled was a 60-barrel producer, and for fourteen consecutive wells he did not strike a single dry one. The Bremen company, after two years and two months, is selling fifty-five thousand dollars worth of oil per month; its stock, which originally sold at \$25 per share, now sells for \$625 per share, and none is on the market.

As another example: While the first well was being drilled at Lima, Ohio, the first thought called the people of the community in a mass meeting, behind them and ridiculed the idea of any one taking stock in such a scheme, declaring that there was no possibility of getting either oil or gas in that locality, as all indications necessary for their production were absent. (This geological talk has been the same in Texas, California, Oklahoma, Indiana and other fields that have been such heavy producers of oil.) Just while this matter was in progress, he, and behold, the well began to flow at the rate of eighty barrels of oil per day. The people left the lecture and had to the fact that the well was producing and refining oil.



READ CAREFULLY

Compare the holdings of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company (holding 23,000 acres), with the holdings of the above companies mentioned and you will readily see what the great possibilities of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company will be.

You may think you can do better by waiting and buying stock after oil is struck. Study the table of California above and decide how many shares you could buy after development, in its good companies, and compare it with what you could have bought before development, and remember they were all "wild cat" properties at one time.

The following Table Shows How the Stock of Various California Oil Companies Has Advanced:

	Started at	Has been sold at
Central	\$0.10	\$1.50
Monte Cristo	.10	2.75
Zenith	.15	5.00
Dillon	.25	8.00
Kern	.25	8.75
Sterling	.50	4.25
West Shore	.50	4.50
Peerless	.25	6.75
San Joaquin	.50	12.50
Kern River	.50	21.50
New York	.50	200.00
Oil City	2.50	24.00
Pacific	8.00	150.00
Hanford	10.00	180.00
Puerto	10.00	180.00
St. Lawrence	15.00	300.00
Kreyenhagen	10.00	250.00
Home	20.00	250.00

\$100 invested in New York Oil Company has since had a value of \$5,000.

\$100 invested in Hanford Company has since had a value of \$4,000.

\$100 invested in Peerless Co., now has a value of \$6,250.

\$100 invested in San Joaquin Company has since had a value of \$5,750.

\$100 invested in Kern River Co. has a value of \$9,500.

\$100 invested in Central Oil Company has since had a value of \$15,000.

\$100 invested in Alameda Oil Company has since had a value of \$30,000.

\$100 invested in Home Oil Company has since had a value of \$40,000.

Its oil wells at from 25¢ to 60¢ per barrel.

The foregoing articles were gleaned from official sources and doubtless are not overdrawn. That the Petroleum Oil Industry is an inviting field for small investors will be readily admitted after reading this circular.

Recent geological examinations made by the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Co., whose holdings are situated in Prince William and Fauquier counties, Virginia, led them to believe that in the not very distant future, as much may be said of Oil Production in Virginia as is now related of California, and more, because the oil is high grade. Hence, only enough stock will be sold at the present low prices to develop these promising holdings of the Company to the point of assurance, when the books will be closed; therefore, we would advise those who are disposed to invest not to defer the matter until it is too late to get in on the ground floor.

In transporting its products to the markets of the world, the Penn-Vir Company will have a very great advantage over all other oil-producing sections of the United States—being in the neighborhood of 20 miles from the Chesapeake Bay and about 20 miles from Washington City.

Does not the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Co. offer an unheard of opportunity for investment? We claim we do. Then, why not invest in it now? Not to-morrow, for its stock will go rapidly, and only a sufficient amount of stock will be sold to develop paying values. When the expected happens the stock-books will be closed.

The Oil of Virginia, is of a Grade Bringing \$1.53 Per Barrel—the Product Indicated in Our Field is of Same Quality

The Engine and Boiler are now in Position and the Lumber for the Derrick is on the Ground

J. M. SULLIVAN

SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION

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Home Office: Box 71, Manassas, Virginia

feature of the village institute when one of them, after a thoughtful pause, remarked: "Say, Bill, I don't see the necessity of bringing these frae London to teach us about manners in the home. We shint so bad as that that we made out."

TRIALS of the NEEDLEMS. Illustration of a woman sewing. Text: "I'M SURE YOU'RE NOT PAW-FEELING YOUR NEEDLE. YOU'RE TRYING TO GET BETTER TO YOU."

Resolved: That when the stomach and liver are not doing their duty, the body will keep one in good spirits for life.

The Natural Laxative. acts on the bowels just as corn foods act. Cascara thus aids the bowels just as Nature would.

A Delicate Proposal. A Scotchman who had survived three wives and who had a fourth in contemplation decided upon a delicate method of proposing to the latest object of his affections.

A statistician has figured out that last year's broom-corn crop was so small that each American family can have but one and one-seventh brooms this year without allowing for business houses, corporations or municipalities.

AFTER FOUR YEARS OF MISERY. Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

From me, and I am recommending it to all my friends. Mrs. W. S. Fourn, 127 W. Franklin St., Baltimore, Md.

COMMERCIAL

Weekly Review of Trade and Market Reports.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "The improved financial conditions serve to strengthen business confidence."

Wholesale Markets.

New York—Wheat—Spot, easy; No. 2 red, 131c. nominal elevator domestic and nominal f. o. b. aboat; No. 1 Northern Duluth and No. 2 hard winter, 127 1/2 nominal f. o. b. aboat.

Butter firm; receipts, 4,562 packages. Creamery specials, 21c; extras, 30; third to first, 25 to 29; held, second to special, 25 to 31; state fair, common to finest, 23 to 25; progress, first to special, 24 1/2 to 28 1/2.

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Not just a summary article. She wouldn't look at him when he was rich, but now, after he's lost all his money, she accepts him. Belle—Well, you know how crazy every woman is to get anything that's reduced. Tit-Bits.

WHEN YOUR BACK ACHES SUSPECT THE KIDNEYS.

Backache is kidney ache in most cases. The kidneys ache and throb with dull pain because there is inflammation within.

Remember the name—Doan's Kidney Pills. For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

An Optimist.

Damocles saw the sword suspended by a hair.

A Report on Frits.

"How has your boy Fritz getting along in der college?"

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure.

Pessimism And Potatoes.

There was a time when "rain living" required as little definition as "high thinking" still does.

Permanent Position.

"Mr. Smith," spoke up the young lawyer, "I came here as a representative of your neighbor, Tom Jones, with the commission to collect a debt due him."

She Quit.

But it was a good quit.

Live Stock.

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Wanted Too Much.

"Hello!" is this the information editor?

"Who is the president of Nicaragua?"

"Wait a minute and I'll tell you."

"But I want to know who is president now—not who's going to be president a minute from now!"

A Philadelphia saw a child crushed by a trolley car and invented a fender to be dropped to the rails by a latch under the motorman's feet.

In Winter Use Allen's Foot-Ease. The antiseptic powder. Your feet feel uncomfortable, nervous and often cold and damp.

Beware of the woman who bites her finger nails. She is possessed of a devil.

For BRACHM—Bick's APUDINE. Whether from Colds, Head, Stomach or Nervous Troubles, Canning with relief.

Have ropes do not bind a ship in a storm, and if your ship is leaking set close to the shore.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day. Dr. Dabson's Relief for Rheumatism and Neuralgia.

Before you kill the fowls scratching up your garden seeds be sure they are not your own.

Constipation causes and seriously aggravates many diseases. It is thoroughly cured by Dr. Pierce's Peppermint Cure.

Do not saddle your ass backward. If he pitches you off you cannot see where you are falling.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days. Pano Ointment is guaranteed to cure any Piles.

Do not abuse a poor man. He may not always be poor, but the abused have a good memory.

Be wary of a man who is the first to stop at pneumonia. Take Perry Davis' Kidney and the danger is averted.

He who mimics the ways of his betters wears the clothes of a fool.

Mrs. Winslow's Sore Throat Syrup for Children. Sore throat, cough, cold, croup, whooping cough, croup, whooping cough, croup, whooping cough.

Your pile of straw is a thousand times heavier than the pile of gold.

Have you a cough or cold? If so, take at once Allen's Lung Balsam and wash result. Simple, safe, effective. All dealers.

In London, in 1907, 1,149 bachelors married widows.

Rich men are in the habit of wearing the same suit as the poor.

How to Keep Baby's Skin Clean. Few parents realize how many estimable lives have been embittered and ruined.

Vacuum suction combs, operated by electrically-driven fans, are now being provided for stablemen to curry horses.

TAKE A DOSE OF PISO'S CURE. THE BEST REMEDY FOR COLIC AND GASTRIC AFFECTIONS.

It will instantly relieve that colic which takes promptly. It will relieve indigestion, flatulence and other ailments.

ALL DRUGGISTS. 25 cents.

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES. Have the voice in all kinds of weather. Stages and public speaking.

14 Cents a Rod. For 14 Cents you get a box of 14 rods.

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Income Tax Favored. Richmond. — Carrying out the recommendation of Governor Swanson...

And S. Deals. Norfolk. — There was no "inequality of distribution" in the \$14,000...

Peculiar Will. Norfolk. — The fortune of John H. Core, one of the famous Mosby Confederates...

Man In Electric Chair. Norfolk. — Thomas Noel, colored, slayer of Deputy Sheriff Jos. Jones...

Murder With Plot. Norfolk. — A man cannot commit murder with his fist, according to a ruling by Judge Hancock...

Law Of Homes Destroyed. Norfolk. — With a 40-mile gale blowing a disastrous fire broke out in the suburbs here...

Manchester National Bank. Richmond. — The Bank of Manchester has increased its capital stock to \$100,000...

Senator Daniel Goes To Florida. Lynchburg. — Senator John W. Daniel, who has been kept away from Washington this winter by his physical condition...

Gets Contract For Cut-off. Roanoke. — The contract for the low grade "put-off" of the Norfolk and Western around Petersburg was awarded to Joseph H. Sands...

Board Of Fisheries. Richmond. — Governor Mann ordered commissions to be issued to the members of the Board of Fisheries...

Fight Against Cancer. Richmond. — As a result of a discussion at the annual meeting of the Tri-State Medical Association...

Hayner Gets Divorce. Norfolk. — Mrs. Joseph H. Hayner has been granted a divorce from her husband, Thomas H. Hayner...

Found Dead In Bathroom. Harrisburg, Pa. — The strange fatality that has pursued some of the principal figures in the State Capitol was noted when John E. Scott...



Cartoon by Berryman, in the Washington Star.

SAYS NEW YORK IS PASTORS' GRAVEYARD

Dr. Carter Tells His Congregation Clergymen Are Not Properly Encouraged in New York City--More Than Big Pay Needed.

New York City. — New York has been called "the graveyard of ministers" by the Rev. Dr. William Carter...

TROUT SPREAD CANCER, INVESTIGATORS HINT

State Laboratory, Holding Out High Hope For Cure, Wants to Experiment on Humans.

Albany, N. Y. — Having successfully treated animals affected with cancer, Harvey R. Galloway, director of the State Cancer Laboratory at Buffalo...

Fertilizers And Moisture. Farmers should invest largely in commercial fertilizers. They cost something, but greatly increase the yield of crops.

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Dedication Significance

NOTEWORTHY is the fact that every person in the representative assemblage that witnessed the beautiful ceremonies marking the dedication of the new assembly building at Eastern College was impressed with the higher significance they typified. More than a mere ceremonial, the observance indeed was a consecration. Sincerity of purpose and devotion to an educational ideal, spiritualized this memorable occasion and through it shone a burst of enthusiasm like a silver strand in cloth of gold. The eloquent words spoken, each a symbol of profound meaning, defined clearly the sentiment they conveyed, but beneath it all lay that beyond-power of expression. It was a prophetic vision of the future, a realization of what the splendid structure really stands for—the force making for enlightenment, for the molding of lofty character, for the development of Christian manhood and womanhood. This is the Force, or even better, Will, which the building represents. For every hall of education is a temple, a sanctuary upon whose altar the fires of knowledge are kept brightly burning.

This new building signifies the permanency of Eastern College in this community, meaning that the institution will work out its destiny in Manassas. It is a link uniting Town and College in inseparable bonds, establishing a stronger reciprocity between them. The entrance of the College into wider fields of activity is fully as important to the town as to the institution itself. And it is not alone the material benefits that are to be accounted, as the spiritual influence is of even higher value. That after all, is what is really worth while in any field of human endeavor. An educational institution is fundamentally a power for good, and fortunate indeed is the community of which it is a part. It sets up and maintains high standards of citizenship through the very influence of its presence. It attracts young men and young women of the best type, a characterization manifested in their quest of education. And these become a most desirable part of the community. Further, the commercial and publicity values of an educational institution are powers in the upbuilding of a town: Manassas is proud of Eastern College, and of this fine new building dedicated on Washington's birthday anniversary.

Opposition to Baldwin Annuity

It is evident that through a misinterpretation of the situation, a number of citizens of Manassas signed a petition to the Legislature against the passage of an enabling act authorizing the Town Council to levy a tax for the payment to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac P. Baldwin of an annuity in return for a deed to a tract embraced in the campus of Eastern College and to Baldwin Hall on the site, an inducement offered to secure the institution. This is shown by the fact that a large proportion of the signers have demanded their names stricken from the petition, since its presentation to the Legislature. Now, it is hoped that conditions have been clarified so that further misunderstanding will not ensue. The annuity of \$600 falls due on May 1. In the event the enabling act is passed, the Town Council of Manassas is authorized to levy a tax not to exceed ten cents on each \$100 valuation to meet it. The matter is purely local, requiring action of the Council after passage of the enabling act by the Legislature. It is understood that the opposition is based largely upon confusing legal technicalities.

Washington's Anniversary

WITH reverence the birthday anniversary of George Washington was commemorated Tuesday. Time but deepens veneration for this immortal patriot, whose memory shall live forever in the hearts of his countrymen. His heritage is the grandest land upon which the sun ever shone, and his immortality the proudest remembrance of his people. The story of Washington, the leader and soldier, and the tale of the hatchet, are the first lessons of patriotism and of truthfulness instilled into the minds of American children. Washington stands at the head of the history of our country as an example held for emulation by all nations. Washington was a Virginian, and his achievements were inspired by the traditions and institutions of this fair land.

Inadequate Fish Ladders

WITHOUT a doubt the inadequate fish-ladder facilities at Occoquan mill-dam are merely a matter of oversight by the owner of the property, and likely enough needed changes will be effected by him, complaints of fishermen and others notwithstanding. According to protests made by anglers, the passage of fish up Broad and Bull runs is obstructed at Occoquan dam. They point to the Coe, which requires the owner of a dam or other obstruction to provide suitable fish-ladder for the passage of fish up and down stream. Nor do these eager disciples of Isaac Walton neglect to place emphasis upon a fine of \$5 for each day of failure to comply with the law, after reasonable notice.

It appears that in the perfection of airships lies the only solution of the muddy roads problem. Prince William is not the only commonwealth looking for relief.

—Lest you forget: How about "Clean-up Day?"

THE agitation of the meat boycott has quieted down. Got hungry, probably.

IT is a pity that the highest culture so long as the wretched noisier out.

THAT interval between muddy and dusty roads, may be correctly termed "the happy medium."

How is it that the approach of hot weather causes a falling off in the demand for marriage licenses?

Two Poles were married in Washington this week. The celebration of a wooden wedding, as it were.

AFTER all, bachelors have something to be thankful for. Especially about spring house cleaning time.

A DAILY newspaper attempts to tell "what oleomargarine is." Perhaps it were better to explain what it is not.

WHAT sinister significance lies in the conference of the cold storage men at the approach of warm weather?

RATHER significant is the reference by State newspapers to Manassas as "the best town of its size in Virginia."

THE adverse decision of the House of Delegates on state-wide prohibition was only the first round in the battle.

SPRINGTIME has its sorrows as well as its joys. Now that the stove can be relegated, the ice-box looms in the distance.

THE perennial joke about the Easter bonnet is making its appearance. To the head of the family it is a really serious reminder.

MEMBERS of the Tapeworm club dined with elaborate ceremony Monday night in Washington: More, not cheaper food, probably was the topic of discussion after the political state had been fixed.

THE American Civic Association is planning war against a formidable foe. It has outlined a campaign for the extermination of the house fly, regarded as a serious menace to health because of the disease germs it conveys.

A CORRESPONDENT to a newspaper asks "should the parents consent be asked to their daughter's marriage?" It depends upon whether or not you are playing the part of the young hero, and whether or not they object to you.

DR. H. W. WILBY, chief of the Chemistry Bureau of the Department of Agriculture, gave out a lengthy interview in Chicago recently on "high art in preparation of meals, or esthetics in the kitchen." Doubtless, he never kept bachelor's hall.

THE Senate has passed a bill extending until December 31 of the present year, the act providing for the appropriate marking the graves of Confederate soldiers and sailors who died in Northern prisons. Congress owes the South another duty to pass a pending bill which provides indemnity for the survivors of "The Immortal Six Hundred," and to remove slanders of the memorable Morris Island episode, when that gallant band was placed under fire of its own guns.

SENATOR ALDRICH, of Rhode Island, declared upon the floor of the Senate that he could save the Government \$300,000,000 yearly if he had the running of affairs. It would appear that the Presidential bee is buzzing in his bonnet. The ardor of Senator Aldrich's enthusiastic effusion on economy was dampened in singular symbolism by Senator Money, the minority leader. He replied with much emphasis that the statements of Senator Aldrich could be taken as a severe arraignment of the Republican party.

SENATOR BULLMAN, of South Carolina, is hovering between life and death, as the result of paralysis and of hemorrhage of the brain. Even though his life be spared, probably he will be a helpless invalid and never again appear upon the floor of the United States Senate. By a strange vagary of fate he has almost wholly lost the power of speech, the weapon with which he so mercilessly lashed enemies of the right according to his standards. The whole country regrets that this fearless fighter has been stricken.

THE value of the Farmers' Institute is becoming apparent in the exposition by experts of improved methods in agriculture. That Prince William county is abreast of the times was shown by its delegation of representative citizens to the Institute in Manassas last Friday. This Farmers' Institute of Northern Virginia was a success from its inception which indeed is a splendid compliment to the farmers in this section for their progressiveness. It is true that few institutes, if any, are characterized by deeper interest, and none offers more instructive programs. The Farmers' Institute has become indispensable, a high tribute to its efficiency.

PHILADELPHIA faces a crisis in the strike of the street railway employees which now threatens to spread until 100,000 other union men walk out in sympathy. Life has been sacrificed and serious injuries inflicted in street clashes. The entire Pennsylvania militia may be called out if the police fail to cope with the situation. Both labor and capital, it appears, forget the bitter lessons of past strife in their struggles to force or maintain standards, often too necessary to be omitted existence. No dispute can be settled in the heat of passion, nor can differences be adjusted without the granting of concessions. But the surest way to eliminate strikes is to pay men living wages and give them proper treatment.

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