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## BIDS ZERO TO FREEZE OUT COMPETITION

JOURNAL GETS COUNTY PRINTING

Amazing Reduction from Demand for \$150 Two Years Ago—This Democrat Saves County Money.

The Journal Publishing Company offering to do the work for nothing was awarded the contract for the county printing for the ensuing year at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors last Monday. The Virginia Publishing Company, for THE DEMOCRAT, submitted a bid of \$30.

In 1909, before THE DEMOCRAT entered the newspaper field of Prince William County, The Journal held out for \$150 for the county printing, but finally accepted \$100. Last year The Journal was awarded the contract for \$40, when the management of that paper was informed that THE DEMOCRAT had filed a bid of \$50.

W. E. Lipscomb was appointed to make a statement of the receipts and itemized expenditures of the county for the preceding six months and also estimate expenditures for the next twelve months.

Physicians to the poor were appointed as follows: Dr. J. C. Meredith in Manassas road district; Dr. F. W. Hornbaker in Occoquan, Coles and Dumfries districts; Dr. Benjamin Brower in Brentsville district; Dr. T. G. Brown in Brentsville district.

### PAY BILLS

The following bills were allowed and paid:

W. C. Wagener, supplies jail	4.96
W. C. Wagener, supplies court house	87
Hibbs & Giddings, clothing for prisoners	5.88
C. H. Wise, Manassas road district	3.80
A. J. Remy, Manassas road district	3.19
J. L. Linawever, Manassas road district	7.76
G. H. Wise, repairing bridge	2.50
W. R. Gosson, poor claim	18.00
W. S. Smith, delivering poll books at token precinct	1.64
Grant Moore, chairman new road	2.00
Joe Reid, chairman new road	1.60
Andrew Withams, chairman new road	1.00
Newman Payne, Manassas road district	11.00
J. P. Manuel, supervisor	4.80
J. T. Symcox, supervisor	5.80
J. W. George, supervisor	5.90
J. L. Dawson, supervisor	5.80
J. L. Keys, supervisor	5.06
J. E. Cahill, supervisor	4.00
J. S. Evans, J. P., reporting fines	2.50
J. R. Wright, J. P., reporting fines	1.50

## AMPUTATE LEFT THIGH FOR SKIN DISEASE

OPERATE ON JOHN SLINGERLAND

Physicians Believe He Will Recover—Taken Sunday to Washington Hospital—Gallant Confederate Soldier.

With his left thigh amputated John Slingerland, of Dumfries, is in Garfield Hospital, Washington, and physicians believe that he will recover unless unforeseen complications develop. The operation was performed Sunday for sloughing of the skin on the limb.

Mr. Slingerland was a gallant Confederate soldier, serving as a private in the command of Captain Chancellor Nelson in the Forty-third Virginia Regiment.

Falling from a car in the Manassas yards early Sunday morning, Peck Leachford of Alexandria, a Southern Railway freight brakeman, fractured three ribs. He was taken to a hospital in Alexandria.

## SUMMER CHAUTAUQUA AT EASTERN COLLEGE

PLAN BIG FEATURE FOR JUNE

Dr. Byron W. King May Open Branch of School of Oratory at Eastern During Summer Term.

A chautauqua from June 1 to June 11 is to be the feature of a summer term to be inaugurated at Eastern College this year. Negotiations are pending with notable speakers for the chautauqua, which promises to be one of the finest events of its kind in this section of the state. Dr. Byron W. King, president of the King School of Oratory, Pittsburg, a favorite with Manassas audiences, probably will appear. Plans are under consideration for a branch of the King School of Oratory during the summer term which will extend from May 1 to July 1.

Eastern College began the winter term with a large increase in attendance, classes being resumed immediately after chapel.

### DR. ROOP'S ADDRESS

In an address opening the term Dr. Roop began with a quotation from Horace:

"Grant me, Apollo, that I may enjoy what I have in good health; let me be sound in body and mind; let me live in honor when old, nor let music be wanting."

Dr. Roop then said:

"Can I do better in bespeaking a Happy New Year for you as students and teachers than to wish that you may so live during the next twelve months as to insure to yourselves, as far as personal efforts may do so, a realization of the prayer of the poet uttered nineteen centuries ago."

"First in this prayer he pleads for good health, that he may enjoy the possessions that are his. Without health all else is of small moment to any individual. Without health an individual may do good with what he has, and so enjoy it in a lofty sense, but not to the fullest.

"The second part of the prayer of Horace: 'Let me be sound in body and mind,' embodies the first and more. A sound body, that is health, is essential to a sound mind, but the body may be sound while the mind remains weak and undeveloped. It must be cultivated to secure happiness worthy the name. The means for such cultivation is about us everywhere. No one need live in this happy country with mind untrained to high degree.

"The most important part of the prayer of the ancient poet and philosopher is this, 'Let me live in honor when old.' This great blessing, too, is within the reach of all, and to him who has it music is never wanting; the music of the still small voice of a clear conscience, the inward assurance of a life well spent.

"The way to secure honor in old age is to be a gentleman all the time. It is not easy to improve on Horace's definition of a gentleman. 'To be a gentleman,' said the great Englishman, 'is to have lofty aims; to lead a pure life; to keep your mind virgin; to have the esteem of your fellowmen and the love of your friends; to bear good fortune meekly; to suffer evil with constancy and through evil or good to maintain truth always.'"

The Hotel Victor is to be equipped with fire escapes and fire extinguishers, when it will be opened under management of Carl C. Traeger. Mr. Traeger expected to take charge of the hotel on January 1, but a delay in installing the protection, postponed the opening.

## VIRGINIA STATE DAIRY SCHOOL OPENS FOUR DAY EXPOSITION IN MANASSAS

RUFFNER BUILDING TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, TO FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, INCLUSIVE

Virginia Polytechnic Institute Conducts School—Exhibition of Dairy Appliances—Lectures and Demonstrations on Dairy Problems—Interest of Progressive Prince William Farmers in Institutes Results in Dairy School Sessions.

### PROGRAM OF DAIRY SCHOOL

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1911

10 a. m. to 11 a. m. The outlook for dairying in Virginia.

11 a. m. to 12 m. Selecting and building up a dairy herd.

1-2 p. m. to 2-30 p. m. Demonstration on the composition of milk and the use of the Babcock test.

2-30 p. m. to 3-30 p. m. The dairy breeds.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1911

10 a. m. to 11 a. m. The dairy breeds.

11 a. m. to 12 m. Feeding dairy cows.

1-2 p. m. to 2-30 p. m. Practice with Babcock test.

2-30 p. m. to 3-30 p. m. Feeding dairy cows.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1911

10 a. m. to 11 a. m. The construction and management of dairy stables.

11 a. m. to 12 m. Handling milk for a city market.

1-2 p. m. to 2-30 p. m. Demonstration on the conformation of dairy cows.

2-30 p. m. to 3-30 p. m. The maintenance of the fertility of the soil.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1911

10 a. m. to 11 a. m. Home grown feeds for dairy cows.

11 a. m. to 12 m. Bovine tuberculosis from the dairyman's point of view.

1-2 p. m. to 2-30 p. m. Demonstration on the use of separators and other dairy appliances.

2-30 p. m. to 3-30 p. m. Silos and silage.

MANASSAS will be the scene of the most notable agricultural exposition in the recent history of Northern Virginia when the State Dairy School conducted by the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and under direction of W. K. Brainerd, opens in the Ruffner school building Tuesday morning, January 17, with sessions continuing through Friday afternoon, January 20. Special night lectures may be arranged later. The school will make an exhibit of separators, cow stalls, stanchions, milk coolers, milking machines, bottling machines and other dairy appliances. It is desired that the dairymen bring samples of corn and other farm crops, samples of milk to be tested, and anything else of interest to dairymen and especially that there may be a number of good dairy cows brought in to illustrate the demonstration on dairy conformation. The ladies are invited to attend.

By PROF. H. F. BUTTON, Director Manassas Agricultural High School.

At its last session the Virginia legislature appropriated \$5,000 for extension work in agriculture, at the same time specifying that a part should be used for movable schools of agriculture, these schools to be given wherever they are asked for by a sufficient number of farmers.

DAIRY SCHOOL IN MANASSAS

As soon as these schools were ready to be placed, Dr. S. W. Fletcher, the progressive director of the State Experimental Station at Blacksburg, thought of the Farmers Institutes he attended at Manassas, and wrote to Prof. Button to ask if a dairy school would prove popular. A number of local dairymen were consulted and as a result a dairy school will be held here January 17, 18, 19 and 20.

OUTGROWTH OF INSTITUTES

The credit for the dairy school in Manassas is due the enterprise and enthusiasm with which the farmers have supported the long series of Farmers Institutes and the earnest desire they have shown at all times to make Prince William the banner county in the State.

PLAN OF SCHOOL

The following regulations, adopted by the United Agricultural Board, explain the plan and scope of the schools:

"The community in which the school is held shall furnish a suitable meeting place, provide board and lodging for the instructors, advertise the meetings and bear other local expenses. The expense to the state will be limited to the expense of equipment for instruction and traveling expenses of the instructors.

"From three to six persons shall constitute a force of instructors as a Movable School of Agriculture. Members of the faculty at Blacksburg, the Virginia Polytechnic Institute or the staff of the Virginia Experimental Station shall receive no compensation except their traveling expenses.

"As regards the nature of the schools: The lectures will be plain, practical talks with plenty of opportunity for questions and discussions, one or two hours a day being given to demonstrations or practical work.

MAY HOLD NIGHT SESSIONS

The school is held from 10 a. m. to 12 m., and from 1-30 p. m. to 3-30 p. m., on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. No night lessons are scheduled, but some of the evenings may be devoted to stereopticon lectures on topics of general interest.

The school is free to every one without the need of books or examination. A person may take all the lessons or only a part, though a regular attendance is urged.

SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY

This is an opportunity for getting first-hand information on the most important of all subjects to Prince William farmers. The practical demonstration sessions will consist of practice in the computing of rations, testing of milk, scoring of dairy cows and testing the germination of seeds. Exhibits of grasses, grains, fruits and vegetables are earnestly desired.

PREMIER POSITION

Ever since the establishment of the Agricultural Schools the one at Manassas has been given the premier position in the state, a position we have been able to take and maintain by the hearty co-operation and support of the people. If we care to continue to lead it must be by the success of such enterprises as this. Not only should the larger dairymen attend this school, but the townspeople who have only one cow will find it to their advantage to attend the sessions of this school.

VALUABLE INSTRUCTION

They will learn how to feed their cows in such a way as to secure a larger flow of milk, how to feed calves to make good dairy cows, how to handle their milk to make the best quality of butter and how to breed their cows to get the best producing individuals.

## ADEN COUNCIL PLANS BIG INSTALLATION

CEREMONIES ON JANUARY 12

Invite Past President, the Rev. E. A. Rhodes, of Remington, to Officiate as Installing Officer.

With impressive ceremonies Aden Council, No. 30, Order Fraternal Americans, will install officers in the hall at Aden next Thursday evening, January 12. The Rev. E. A. Rhodes, of Remington, has been invited to act as installing officer by Dr. R. E. Wine, deputy state president. A cordial invitation is extended to the public. Refreshments will be served at the close of the ceremony.

The officers elected December 17 for the ensuing year are:

- President—W. V. Elliott, Bristow.
- Vice President—C. M. Rorbaugh, Manassas.
- Recording Secretary—Dr. R. E. Wine, Manassas. (Re-elected.)
- Assistant Recording Secretary—E. K. Bodine, Nokesville.
- Financial Secretary—Claude T. Huff, Bristow.
- Treasurer—J. L. Brown, Nokesville. (Re-elected eighth term.)
- Marshal—T. E. Baggott, Nokesville.
- Warden—J. C. Barbee, Bristow. (Re-elected fifth term.)
- Inner Guard—L. F. Keys, Bristow.
- Outer Guard—E. Lee Molair, Bristow.
- Junior Past President—Frank E. Bell, Bristow.
- Trustee, Six Months—T. P. Flickinger, Nokesville.
- Trustee, Twelve Months—H. S. Arcey, Manassas.
- Trustee, Eighteen Months—W. Y. Elliott, Bristow.
- Representative Grand Council One Year—Joe P. Kerlin, Nokesville.
- Representative Grand Council Two Years—Dr. R. E. Wine, Manassas.
- Alternate, Grand Council, Two Years—J. L. Brown, Nokesville.
- One Year—Dr. R. E. Wine, Manassas.
- Chaplain—Wm. P. Kerlin, Nokesville.
- Deputy State President—Dr. R. E. Wine, Manassas. (Appointed by Grand State President.)

## C. A. SINCLAIR NOT CANDIDATE FOR HOUSE

SAYS NOT SEEKING LEGISLATURE

Declares Rumor That He is Candidate to Succeed the Hon. Theo. McLinn as Delegate is Unfounded.

Denying that he is a candidate for the House of Delegates, the Hon. C. A. Sinclair made the following statement to a representative of THE DEMOCRAT:

"The rumor that I am a candidate to succeed the Hon. Theo. H. Lion as a member of the Legislature from Prince William County, is wholly without foundation. I am not seeking the office and at the present time I have no intention of becoming a candidate for the House of Delegates."

## LIGHTED LANTERN BURNS DOWN BARN

FLAME DESTROY STRUCTURE WITH QUANTITY OF FEED—NO INMATES—INSURANCE COVERS FEED LOSS.

A lighted lantern left hanging on the wall is believed to be the origin of a fire which destroyed a large cattle barn and a quantity of feed early Monday morning on the farm owned by W. H. Haydon, four miles north-west of Manassas. There was no insurance on the barn, valued at \$350. The loss on the feed, estimated at \$75, was covered by insurance.

R. B. Myers, of the Shenandoah Valley, is a guest today of Dr. R. E. Wine.

## MANY NEW STUDENTS IN COMMERCE SCHOOL

EASTERN WINTER TERM OPENS

Prof. Hobart Arranging New Classes—Positions Seek Graduates—School of Commerce Open All Year.

The winter term of Eastern College School of Commerce opened yesterday with a large increase in attendance. New classes were organized in shorthand, typewriting, and bookkeeping. The School now occupies three recitation rooms, and banking, wholesale and retail departments have been opened. Plans are being made to hold a summer session and to have this branch of Eastern College open all the year around. The Civil Service Commission will place all stenographers in Government positions as soon as competent at salaries ranging from \$70 a month up.

Prof. H. C. Hobart, director of the School of Commerce of Eastern College, is extremely busy forming new classes, starting old students on final courses, arranging and extending the mail courses, and organizing an employment bureau for the placing of the students in good positions. He is also planning a course for the summer session. It is probable that other departments will be kept open the year around.

Every department in the College shows an increased attendance. Instructors and students have returned from vacation filled with enthusiasm for the work and with renewed energy and determination. In the School of Commerce work has been resumed in shorthand, typewriting, bookkeeping, arithmetic, rapid calculation, spelling, penmanship, commercial law, commercial geography and civil service drill. These classes are under the direct supervision of Prof. Hobart.

The Legal Association will get down to business at once. Several new attorneys have hung out their shingles. The state's attorney and sheriff are ready for practice and the mimic manufacturers will be sharply prosecuted. Judge Spencer will open court in a few days.

## GAS PERMEATES SAND IN PENN-VIR WELL

FINE INDICATIONS AT NOKESVILLE

Gas Volume With Depth—Consulting Engineer A. J. Greit, Confident of Success.

Gas encountered at a depth of 910 feet in the Penn-Vir well in the Nokesville field, is constantly permeating the sandstone formation the drill is penetrating and today at 1137 feet below surface the volume of gas is increasing, according to indications in the drillings. Prospects are more than favorable, say experts for the discovery of a large body of gas.

A. J. Greit, consulting engineer for the Penn-Vir Company, who was in town yesterday is confident of success, provided the drilling operations are carried to sufficient depth.

The gas was found in a sandstone strata, which although thin, is indicative of further hydrocarbon contents below. Since encountering the first gas several other stratas have been found and a small quantity of gas has been constantly flowing in the well.

An enjoyable dance was given in Cooper's Hall last night.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Sixty thousand Red Cross stamps were sold in Roanoke during December.

The month of December broke all records for volume of business at the Roanoke postoffice.

Al Carter, a negro, believed to be the man who killed T. M. Rhinehart, a railroad conductor, at Duncannon, Va., was captured in Bluefield.

Zachariah Rains, aged fifty-five, drowned while at his work at Lynwood.

John D. Smith, a Southern railway freight brakeman, was injured by falling through a trestle in Alexandria county.

Thomas Conley, aged about 25 years, who is said to have been disappointed in love, committed suicide in room No. 23 at the Valley Hotel, in Martinsburg.

Just as soon as the contracts are signed, work is to be started at Berkeley Springs on a \$100,000 hotel, which will be erected by interest controlled by the Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

Bruce W. Catlett, a well known farmer of Clarke county, has announced himself as a candidate for the Virginia State Senate from the district composed of Clarke, Warren and Page counties.

When the city clock in Lynchburg tolled the midnight hour on January 1, following it a new year, John Shine, watchman at the city jail, was out on duty.

John A. Johnson, a watchman of a nearby plant, and Policeman D. A. Driskill, met on a bridge over the canal in front of the pump house, shook hands and went home.

SELECT COLLINGS

War Heroes of the Future.

The romance of battle has seemed over with the passing of its cavalry charge—no longer possible against machine gun fire—returns on wings.

The next great war promises Hobson by the hundreds, and there will be no conventional life that will come back to kisses and public applause.

What news that truck will bring—news which will make war and the commander-in-chief a game of chess in which he knows all the moves in his opponent's mind!

Why Woodrow Wilson Shaved.

As a well known Woodrow Wilson has a clean shaven face.

A Great Archer's Great Shot.

It is a well known fact that the bow wears a very large hat when painting portraits.

As the result of a fight among negroes in a pool-room at Roanoke, Gaston Harvey is dying of knife wounds at a hospital.

You Want Refinement in a great many things in the home.

White Loaf Flour

HAS MADE MILFORD MILLS FAMOUS

Why not keep your money in the County? Why do you buy flour from other mills that never deal a penny's worth with you?

Blue Ribbon Meal

Buckwheat Flour

Hammond Dairy and Horse and Mule Feed

Best Pulp, Cotton Seed Meal, Hay, Salt, Bran, Middlings, Oats, Rye, Chop, Oyster Shells, Federal Stock Powders, Cracked Corn, Mixed Feed, Ca-Si-No Remedies for all diseases of stock.

Advertisement for C. J. Meetze, Bristow, Virginia. C. J. MEETZE BRISTOW VIRGINIA. Best Pulp, Cotton Seed Meal, Hay, Salt, Bran, Middlings, Oats, Rye, Chop, Oyster Shells, Federal Stock Powders, Cracked Corn, Mixed Feed, Ca-Si-No Remedies for all diseases of stock.

Advertisement for J. A. Morgan Fire Insurance. J. A. MORGAN Fire Insurance. LIVERY EQUIPMENT AND SERVICE. The awful alarm has just recently been sounded.

Advertisement for Jas. E. Nelson, Agent. JAS. E. NELSON, Agent. P. O. BOX 88, Manassas, Virginia. Real Estate Bargains. If you are planning to buy realty, you can save money by first investing in the best town and farm property.

Advertisement for J. W. Leedy Contractor and Builder. J. W. LEEDY CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER. One among the many high class articles to be found in Staple & Fancy Groceries. A. H. HARRELL'S

CURRENT EVENTS

As a sort of peace pipe for Democrats, Representative Clark, of Missouri, who expects to be the next speaker of the House.

The bottom has fallen out of the broom corn market in the Central Illinois belt.

J. Hancock Robinson, Confederate veteran and secretary to three of Mississippi's senators, died while sleeping on a couch in the Senate office building at Washington.

Chief Josephine, the champion cow of the Missouri College of Agriculture, probably will fail to break the world's milk record.

While President Taft has not yet thrown overboard his hopes for the passage of the ship subsidy, anti-injunction and conservation bills, it can be stated that most of the strength of the administration will be directed at the present session toward bringing about the enactment of a law establishing a permanent tariff commission.

The talk of war between the United States and Japan is baseless, according to S. Sokurage, of the South Manchurian railroad, who has been in the United States for the past nine months investigating our railroad, docking and terminal facilities.

Without having left the dock to which he was carried recently when he married his 27-year-old ward, Miss Emma M. Moore, Leon A. Carter, a veteran of the Civil war, is dead in Philadelphia.

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Cookery Points

When soaking beans overnight for baking some housewives add a tiny pinch of soda to help them cook.

As a "special" for children's Sunday night supper, sweeten some plain bread dough, sprinkle with currants, and bake like ordinary bread.

Remove from the oven and immediately cover with raspberry jam without removing from the pan.

Three tablespoons (spoons) cooked in one pint of milk.

It is a good plan when you expect to take the spice and four and all the ingredients needed from their places in the pantry and set them in a row on the table.

Smells like winter, early or attractive as a luncheon or dinner dish that served in rings around a mound of potato with the accompaniment of sauce.

Swiss Eggs.

Over-sweetened.

Men Like Simplicity of Form.

How many well meaning housewives make the mistake in their occasional bonaparte dishes when dinner and breakfast foods would please the men so much more!

Keep Fingers Clean.

Don't throw away old kid gloves.

Just as good—Just as cheap, and so much less trouble.

Manassas Cafe

Meals at Short Orders. Cigars, Tobacco and Confectionery. Oysters Prepared in Any Style and Delivered.

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Advertisement for C. E. Nash & Co. THE ONLY DEALERS STRICTLY IN STAPLE AND FANCY HARDWARE. "OLIVER CHILLED PLOWS" and "STAG BRAND PAINTS". Both are too popularly known for further comment.

Advertisement for Sunlight System. THE LIGHT THAT NEVER FAILS—Half the Cost of Oil—Not Half the Trouble—Ten Times More Light. Supplies of All Kinds in Stock. LOCK BOX 104 BOSWELL BROS., Manassas, Va.

Advertisement for S. T. Hall's Furniture Store. Come to Eastern College. MANASSAS, VIRGINIA. for work in the Standard Courses of the College proper, the Academy, the Schools of Music, Art, Expression and Commerce.

Advertisement for Farmers' Attention. Keep your stock well and make your hens lay, by buying TALBOTT'S STOCK POWDER. You run no risk, every package guaranteed. Sold by W. C. WAGENER. With first \$1 package to each customer we give a buggy whip worth \$1.

Advertisement for Maine Hotel and Restaurant. MAINE HOTEL AND RESTAURANT. CAREL G. TRAEGER, Prop. 1618 East Building, on Railroad Ave., Manassas, Va.

Advertisement for Bell Bros. Bakery. BELL BROS. BAKERY. instead of doing your own baking. You will find it. Just as good—Just as cheap, and so much less trouble.

**TOPICS OF THE TOWN**

The town council meets tomorrow night.

Mrs. R. W. Merchant is visiting in Baltimore.

J. C. Staubus, of Brentsville, was in town Monday.

Miss Kate Bridwell is visiting relatives in Washington.

Miss Faith Chapman was at home during the holidays.

Webb Garrison returned yesterday from a visit to Arcola.

Miss Elizabeth Merchant has returned from a visit to Baltimore.

Paul Weir returned Monday to the State University at Charlottesville.

Hebron Seminary, in Nokesville opened for the winter term last Monday.

Mrs. H. S. Orebaugh, son and daughter, of Washington, are visiting here.

Miss Ruth Watkins and Brother Thomas Watkins, are visiting Miss Evelyn Wenrich.

Miss M. Lodge Moffett returned Monday to the State Normal School at Harrisonburg.

Mrs. B. C. Cleveland, of Mt. Rainier, Md., has been visiting her father, A. Flaherty.

James Moore, of Atlanta, Ga., visited his father, Captain T. J. Moore, during Christmas.

Dr. W. R. Tulloss, of Haymarket, who has been ill for several weeks, is able to be about.

Mrs. A. B. Kinchelo, of Washington, is spending the holidays at her summer home in Brentsville.

John Hedrick and daughter, Miss Sallie, both in Providence Hospital, Washington, are improving.

Elder Bowie, of Washington, will preach in the Primitive Baptist Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Haymarket school resumed Monday for the winter term in the new school building erected at a cost of \$2,900.

Miss Mattie Weir after spending Christmas and New Year at home, returned to her work in Washington Tuesday.

Directors of the Prince William Hackney Horse Company met Tuesday and arranged for the beginning of the spring season.

There is no change in the condition of Captain E. Nelson, who has been confined to his home with illness for the past ten days.

With favorable weather, the Rev. J. K. Efrd will preach in the public school building at Nokesville, next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Improvement is reported in the condition of R. L. Adamson, who was stricken with hemorrhages last week in Warrenton. His mother, Mrs. Anna Adamson, returned home yesterday.

A public meeting of the Colored Citizens' Association of Manassas will be held in the Colored Baptist Church, Friday evening January 13. An educational program will be rendered and a musical program presented.

Thursday, May 25, has been set as the date for the commencement exercises at Hebron Seminary, Nokesville. Prof. R. C. Stearns, secretary of the State Board of Education, will deliver the annual address.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Walker, of Washington, were holiday guests of Mrs. Walker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Allensworth. Carl Allensworth, who spent Christmas here with his parents, has returned to school in Staunton.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rosebery returned Monday. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Fogel, Misses Sallie Cooper, Helen Rosebery, Emma Smith, and Carrie Reading. Messrs. James Wright, Cecil Shank, Frank Egan, Charles Fogel, Hugh Bell and Quinston Herring.

Major James R. Purcell, of Gainesville, was in town Tuesday.

Douglas Merchant is home from Washington for several days visit.

R. S. Arey is spending the week with relatives in Rockingham county.

Dr. P. McGruder, of New Orleans, was a guest of D. E. Copp this week.

Mrs. I. N. Ball, of The Tribune, Washington, was a guest of Mrs. Bessie Elliott last week.

Miss Mabel Wanda, of Washington, was a guest of Mrs. Kate Randall last Sunday.

S. A. Spencer, of Eastern College, has returned from Ashboro, where he spent the holidays.

H. C. Ryckman has returned from a visit to Washington and Baltimore during the holidays.

Milton McDonald, of Culpeper, returned this week to resume his studies at Cannon Branch school.

The wrecker passed through here yesterday to pick up three freight cars derailed at Wayburn.

Misses Dorothy and Gertrude Button have returned from a visit to Miss Lillian Leachman, at Bristow.

Joplin Adamson leaves today for Richmond to resume his studies at the Medical College of Virginia.

J. R. Hayes, manager of Eastern base ball team, has returned from Hampton, where he spent the holidays.

Clay Davies, of Culpeper, was a guest of S. T. Hall last Monday on his way to Warrenton to visit his sister, Mrs. Arthur Fetzer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hawkins, of Washington, spent the holidays here with Mrs. Hawkins' mother, Mrs. Martha Matthews.

W. W. Smallwood has been promoted to the position of assistant buyer in the bed department of Woodward & Lothrop, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hedrick returned home to Catlett last evening after spending the holidays here with Mrs. Hedrick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Hall.

Clarence Wagener, who spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wagener, returned Monday to the State University at Charlottesville.

New Year day was quietly observed in Manassas. The banks and county offices were closed, the postoffice observed holiday hours and most of the stores suspended business.

"Ready for the Ride" is the study of a beautiful art calendar distributed by J. A. Morgan. The study is reproduced by color photography from an original painting by James Arthur.

Victor Goteman and George Bourne, of Philadelphia, Misses Mary and Edith Lukins, of Swarthmore, Pa. were guests of the Rev. and Mrs. T. D. D. Clarke during the holidays.

Closing services of the week of prayer in the M. E. Church are as follows: Tonight, the Rev. J. K. Efrd; tomorrow night, Dr. H. U. Roop. Services will begin at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited.

The special course in agriculture at the Manassas Agricultural High School opened yesterday with a large attendance. The course includes instruction in corn breeding, testing, judging and raising; stock breeding, compounding of rations, contesting and the testing of milk by use of the Babcock tester.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Hall entertained at dinner Thursday, December 29, in honor of their house guests, Miss Eula Shyroek, of Ona, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hedrick, of Catlett. The invited guests were Misses Adra Lion, Nellie Horabaugh, and Viola Davis, and Messrs. John Brechin, Dr. E. S. Ford, H. C. Russell, D. M. Potts, Eugene Davis and James R. Foster.

Richard Born, who spent the holidays at Hampton, has returned to Eastern College.

W. S. Allensworth expects to leave this week for Southern Virginia to take a position on a railroad.

George Nutt is recovering steadily from injuries sustained recently in falling from a porch at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Mitchell were summoned to Dumfries last Thursday by the illness of Mr. Mitchell's sister, Mrs. D. M. Davis.

Mrs. W. A. Wine, of Shenandoah county, spent last Thursday with her brother-in-law, Dr. Wine and family, en route to Washington.

Eugene Compton and wife, in company with Mrs. Fannie Edwards, of Washington, spent New Year day with Mrs. Donohoe on West street.

Mrs. Mary J. Fox and daughters, Mrs. H. N. Rolling and Miss Mamie Fox, of Conway, Md., were holiday guests of Mrs. T. E. Ennis, of Buckhall.

Dr. Hervis U. Roop will preach in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. His subject is "The Making of a Man." The public is invited.

Miss Maude Willis, teacher in the public schools at White Post, returned there Monday after a visit here over the holidays with her mother, Mrs. H. Lee Willis.

Mrs. M. E. Weedon, daughters, Louise and Margaret, and son, La-Rue, returned Monday to Baltimore, after a visit with relatives here during the holidays.

Miss Mollie Cornwell, of Washington, and Misses Bertha and Lola Cornwell, were guests at a dancing party given at the home of Samuel Cornwell last Saturday evening.

The birthday anniversary of Frances Willard will be celebrated at a meeting of the W. C. T. U. Friday afternoon, January 13, at 3 o'clock, when the regular business meeting will be held.

Eastern's star battery of last year, Ernest Burbank, of Hampton, pitcher, and Harvey Russell, of Marshall, catcher, have had an offer to sign for a try-out with the New York American league team. They have been notified to report April 3, at Athens, Ga., the spring training camp.

Mrs. M. S. Moffett attended the Teachers' Institute of Fauquier County at Warrenton on Monday and Tuesday, and gave an address Tuesday on "Practical Adaptability of the Course of Study to One-room Rural Schools." The meeting was largely attended and filled with enthusiasm. Prof. Settle State Inspector of Rural Schools, gave a talk on "Progress Made in Virginia Schools in the Last Five Years." The visiting teachers were guests of citizens of Warrenton.

Action toward admitting alumni of the Manassas Normal School to membership in the Alumni Association of the Manassas Agricultural High School and Institute, was deferred until the June session, at a meeting of the Association last Saturday night at the home of Mrs. F. O. Metz. Joseph Gulick, president of the Association, acted as toastmaster, while responses were made by Miss Engenia Osborne and Wheatley Johnson. Members of the Association present were Miss Lulu Metz, Emma Johnson, Bessie Johnson, Edith Hayden, Mary Cox, Grace Moran, Winnie Holden, Alice Bryce, Ruth Smith, Ruth Round, Mrs. Louise Waters, Messrs. Joseph Gulick, Clarence Wagener, Henry and Wheatley Johnson, Hiram Cox and Edward Lynch.

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Francis Brock is attending business college in Washington.

Miss Ora Mason Kinchelo, of Upperville, was in town yesterday en route to Warrenton to attend school. She was a guest of Miss Stuart Hynson.

A moving picture exhibition will open an indefinite season in Gonner's Hall tonight. Exhibitions will be given every evening except Sunday, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Walter Lankford was fined \$3 and costs for selling rabbits Monday after the open season had expired on January 1. The firm of Burke and Moore was fined \$3 and costs for buying the rabbits.

Karl Austin, agent for the Aachen Munich Fire Insurance Company, has made settlement in full with W. R. Lucas, Manager of the Prince William Hotel, recently destroyed by fire, for losses Mr. Lucas sustained.

Drilling operations in the Nokesville field will be pushed more rapidly than ever. This was the decision of directors of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas company at a meeting yesterday. Prospects at the well are excellent, a flow of gas being encountered.

Judge J. B. T. Thornton has been chosen toastmaster for the annual banquet of Manassas Lodge No. 182, A. F. & A. M., to be held in the Masonic temple, Friday evening, January 13. The ladies' reception will comprise Mrs. C. E. Nash, Mrs. I. E. Cannon, Mrs. H. T. Davies, Mrs. A. B. Davis, Mrs. J. W. Bernhard, Mrs. R. S. Hynson, Mrs. Thos. H. Lion, and Mrs. O. D. Waters. The men's reception committee will be I. E. Cannon, O. D. Waters, G. Raymond Ratcliffe, R. S. Hynson, and J. Walter Bernhard.

The meeting of the Colored Teachers' Association of Northern Virginia at the Manassas Industrial School last Friday and Saturday, were the most successful in the history of the organization. The state tuberculosis, hookworm and typhoid fever exhibit was of especial interest, giving much information upon maladies that are being widely discussed from a preventive viewpoint. Able addresses were delivered by Dr. Ennon Williams, of Richmond, State Commissioner of Health, and Dr. Hovey, president of the Virginia Union Seminary, of Richmond. Dr. Hovey preached in the Colored Baptist Church Sunday evening.

His friends declare that Ira C. Reid has earned the title of champion turkey hunter of Prince William County. Mr. Reid while modest concerning his prowess points with justifiable pride to the fact that since March 15, 1904, he has bagged 163 wild turkeys, and that hunting with him is merely an occasional pastime. He killed the last turkey on December 29 last near Bull Run Bridge. It was a fine specimen of fowl weighing 18 1/2 pounds. The largest turkey of the grand total weighed 24 pounds and was killed twelve years ago. As Mr. Reid's turkey dinners are occasions where genuine hospitality prevails his friends encourage his hunting expeditions.

**CROSSES OF HONOR**

The Manassas Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy will bestow Crosses of Honor on January 10, 1911. Any Confederate Veteran, widow or eldest son of a Confederate Veteran, who desires a Cross, will please make application to undersigned for certificate of eligibility. Any information will be gladly given.

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President Manassas Chapter,  
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6 ft. x 9 ft.	\$2.00		
8 ft. 3 in. x 10 ft. 6 in.	\$25.00		
9 x 12 ft.	\$27.50		

Carpets		Velvet Carpets	
Width	Now	Width	Now
Brussels Carpets—50c value.		8 ft. 3 in. x 10 ft. 6 in.	\$1.15 value. Now, per yd. 87c
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French Wilton Rugs		Linoleums	
Width	Now	Width	Now
8 ft. 3 in. x 10 ft. 6 in.	\$50.00	70c value. Now, per yd.	50c
9 ft. x 12 ft.	\$60.00	85c value. Now, per yd.	60c

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**DUMFRIES NEWS**

A happy New Year to all, and a prosperous one to THE DEMOCRAT.

Miss Bessie Brawner is home after spending some time past in Washington.

We are glad to know that Mrs. Skidmore, who has been very ill, is able to be up again.

We hope the mud will not continue to be as plentiful as it was on the first day of the New Year.

G. M. Ratcliffe, who has been indisposed for several days on account of cold, is able to be out again.

Dr. Cljue leaves today to take up his position in the Lincoln Hospital at Knoxville, Tenn. We wish him much success and a speedy return.

We are all sorry to learn of the death of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Williams' infant daughter, aged 4 months and 15 days, who died December 23, and was buried January 1.

Mrs. Annie Speak, after a confinement of about six weeks on account of fractured ribs, was able to be at her home for Christmas. She has been staying at the home of her mother, Mrs. G. M. Ratcliffe.

The Methodists held their Christmas entertainment in their church on Monday December 26. The children seemed to enjoy the pretty tree, and also the good things to eat that they received from the tree.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. W. Keys gave a Christmas party on Wednesday, December 28, in honor of their daughter, Miss Vanetta, who was home for the holidays from the Mt. Vernon school. The house was beautifully decorated with holly and evergreens. The young folks played all the games that are dear to the hearts of the young folks, and then refreshments were served. All reported a jolly time. A few of those present were Messrs. Raymond and Walter Woodfenden and their sister, Miss Bertha, Miss Viola Abel, the Misses Tapscott, Messrs. Dunn and their sister, Miss Arville, and Miss Catoe, of Stafford.

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**CONKLIN NOTES**

G. W. Spencer was in Manassas last Wednesday.

J. C. Spencer spent last week with his brother, G. W. Spencer.

Miss Ida Fox and friend spent Friday with her brother, Temple Fox.

Anybody that wants to subscribe for a paper for 1911 should take THE DEMOCRAT.

Miss Estelle Hefin, of Stafford county, is visiting friends and relatives near Conklin.

We are sorry to say that Mrs. R. A. Hibb has not been able to leave her room for some time.

G. W. Fox and family and Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor were guests of N. T. Fox Wednesday last week.

Misses Rickie Ehardt and Pauline Spencer spent Thursday with Mrs. A. V. Spencer at Sudley.

A very delightful dance was given at A. J. Powell's last Tuesday night. Quite a number were present.

Misses Dora and Annie Everhart, of Arcola, were guests of their sister Mrs. Roy Hagenbueh, of Conklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Phillips, of Maryland, are the guests of Mrs. Phillips' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Schneider.

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**NOTICE**

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Manassas Colored Horse Show Association will be held Friday night, January 6. B. C. Lewis, Secretary.

When buying a cough medicine for children bear in mind that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is most efficacious for colds, croup and whooping cough and it contains no harmful drug. For sale by all dealers.

**HAYMARKET NEWS**

Henry Winter, of Baltimore, was a Haymarket visitor last week.

Dr. Henry S. Dodge is in Alexandria for a few days this week on business.

Miss Clara Martin, of Charlottesville, is visiting at the home of Dr. W. R. Tulloss.

Miss May Guilford, of Washington, is spending the week at the home of Mrs. Hulfish.

H. R. Bragg spent a few days last week with his daughter, Mrs. Mitchell, in Strasburg.

Miss Lillian Lightner left on Monday to attend school at the State Normal in Harrisonburg.

We are glad to say that school opened Monday in the new building after having been closed since the first of November.

Miss Mary Waiter, who spent part of the Christmas holidays with the Misses Rector, has returned to her home in Washington.

Mrs. Ellie Jordan, who has been spending some time at the home of C. E. Jordan, left on Monday for her home in Baltimore.

Miss Virginia Meade, of Braddock Heights, who has been visiting her aunts, the Misses Meade, has returned to her home.

We are sorry to learn that T. E. Garnett is again having trouble with his leg, and they expect to take him to the hospital on Saturday.

Mrs. William Barbee, who has been spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Dodd, returned to her home in Georгал, Wise county, Friday.

Messrs. Ryland T. Dodge and Ashby Carter, who have been at home for the Christmas holidays, returned to Richmond College the first of the week.

Miss Mary Worth Hulfish, of The Plains, Miss Rosie Shirley and Arthur K. Guilford, of Washington, who were among the guests of a house party at "Oak Shade" during the Christmas holidays, returned to their homes on Monday.

**FAIRVIEW ITEMS**

Quite a rain in the village Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Virgie Byrne is visiting relatives in Washington.

B. F. Akers has moved to the home place near Catharpin.

Miss Pearl Anderson spent the holidays with Miss Irene Matthews.

Lester Wilson spent Tuesday and Wednesday with friends at Wellington.

Miss Nora O'Mera spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Irene Matthews.

Miss Clara Stalls, teacher in McGraw's Ridge school, spent the holidays with her parents, who reside near Ashburn.

A surprise party was given at R. H. Hagenbueh's Friday night. Many attended and enjoyed the occasion. The music was furnished by Lester and Harry Wilson.

**WHO ARE WE?**

A French banker who died recently left a collection of 68,000 cigar bands, each differing in some particular from the others. They had cost him fifty years of smoking and had been arranged systematically in a number of specialty constructed cabinets. His children, not caring to keep the bands, sold them at auction for \$1.

W. D. Murphy, the celebrated New York artist, who has painted portraits of six presidents of the United States, two vice presidents, several governors, ambassadors and other widely known men of the social, official and business world, has just completed his remarkable portrait of the late R. H. Harrison. This is the only portrait of Mr. Harrison in existence and has been secured by Mrs. Harrison.

According to a report from Hagen, Germany, the German government has commissioned M. Thornprikler, a Netherlands artist, to draw plans for a new world's city, with greater Berlin as a model. The scheme is to unite the cities of Essen, Dortmund, Silesfeld, Dortmund and Hagen under one municipal government. The central architectural feature of the proposed city is to be a monster forum.

**TIMELY BREVITIES**

Australia embraces an area of 3,286,000 square miles.

An ordinary gas jet consumes as much oxygen as five persons.

Tungsten salts have been found to be valuable for fireproofing textiles.

Japan is increasing its production of raw silk at a rate of about 20,000 bales a year.

About 600,000 penguin eggs are gathered from nearby islands and sold for food in Cape Colony each year.

Owing to the difficulty of securing fresh eggs most of the mining companies in Mexico have their own poultry yards.

Portugal is the most illiterate country in Europe. Three out of every four adult Portuguese can neither read nor write.

Last year the geological survey fixed prices on 2598,621 acres of public coal lands and classified 10,857,572 acres of noncoal land.

The Philippine Islands are now the largest producers of coconuts in the world. About one-third of the whole crop is grown there.

General Botha, prime minister of the Transvaal, says that never before in the history of South Africa were there such solid signs of prosperity.

Norway has found it immensely profitable to propagate the cod, catches of the fish having steadily increased each year that fry have been planted.

The smokeless powder factory of the Mexican government has been completed. Its annual capacity is 10,000 pounds of powder of the best quality.

Explorations made during the last few years have led geologists to the conclusion that the gulf coast of Mexico has great possibilities as an oil field.

The Turkish authorities have forbidden the export of mules over a certain height from the viharat (forerives) of Bagdad. They are being collected for army use by the government.

An Italian soldier has invented light metal attachments by which a sledge ambulance can be made in a few minutes from a pair of skis, an alpenstock and other military equipment.

At Felixstowe, England, a fisherman lost his hook in attempting to land a fish. Immediately afterward the same fish, with the hook in its gills, was caught by another fisherman near by.

England sent last year to French West Africa 37,678 pounds of beads so as to give the natives something to put on their strings to play with. But for those beads England got about \$2,500,000 worth of rubber.

The street condemnation jury of Milwaukee visited Lindworm park in that city recently and condemned an inch of land claimed by a cement company. The inch of land in question was needed to give the city access to the river.

In spite of intelligent efforts to reduce infant mortality in the United States, the census bureau reports that nearly one-fifth of all the deaths reported in 1909 were of infants under one year of age, and over one-quarter were of children under five.

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For Rent—To young man, a front room in desirable neighborhood. References given and required. Address Box 182, Manassas, Va.


For Sale—Four-room house and out-buildings, with 1/2 acre of land, 70 fruit trees, well watered, 1 horse, 1 wagon, 1 buggy, 1 cow and 70 chickens. Desirable property. Will sell for \$700. W. W. Smallwood, Buckhall, Va.

WANTED—To list reasonable priced properties in this section. If you really want to sell or exchange don't fail to see us. PIEDMONT LAND CO., Manassas, Va. (Nicol law office.)

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All persons are warned against hunting on trespassing on the Godfrey farm, near Manassas, unless permission has been obtained of G. D. Baker, who has been appointed agent. Offenders will be prosecuted.

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## GAS—NOT HOT AIR

PRESENT indications at the Penn-Vir well in the Nokesville field are highly encouraging. A trace of gas is constantly flowing through the sandstone the drill is penetrating. Drillings brought to the surface emit the unmistakable odor of gas. Although prospects are more than favorable, the existence of a large body of gas, at greater depth, in sufficient volume for commercial value, is a problem for the drill to solve. The management and stockholders of the Penn-Vir Company are enthusiastic over developments, but conservative in prediction. The faith they have held from the start now, they believe, shows justification. They are confident that the well will be a producer. The Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company is not a "hot-air" proposition. It is a legitimate business enterprise, conducted on business principles, and organized to explore the Nokesville field. While the element of uncertainty in exploration has influenced the extremely cautious, others who in view of possibilities invested in the proposition, will be rewarded many fold in event of discovery.

## DAIRY SCHOOL

THE farmers of Prince William County are to be congratulated upon the instructional advantages afforded them through the State Dairy School, which has been secured for four days in Manassas by Prof. H. F. Button, director of the Agricultural High School. The rapid progress of agriculture along scientific lines, especially in dairy operation, gives College extension courses a practical value never before attained. They supplement general knowledge with specific information making for greater returns to the farmer and, naturally, increase the resources of the State. The complexities of the dairy problem doubtless involve wider experiment and research than any of the other branches of agriculture. The State Dairy School for four days will be a Prince William County Institution, under State direction. It is hoped that exhibits for purposes of experiment and demonstration will be made by citizens. The attendance promises to be unusually large and enthusiasm will characterize the sessions.

## EASTERN COLLEGE CHAUTAUQUA

CITIZENS of Manassas should co-operate with the authorities of Eastern College in giving impetus to a movement to make a Chautauqua the feature of the College summer term to be inaugurated this year. The enterprise will attract hundreds of visitors of the most desirable class, promote publicity of our advantages, add to reputation for enterprise and as an educational center, while affording a new source of instruction and entertainment for Manassas. The Business League might take up the proposition.

## THE POLITICAL POT

"The political pot is beginning to boil," allegorically or paregorically speaking, as the case may be. Candidates for County offices are beginning to test the political temperature by feeling for the sentiment of voters. However the people propose to rule and make their own selection of public servants. Dynasties are relics of bygone days. The people are preparing a bitter pill for the political gang to swallow this fall.

## DUTY

PARENTS are remiss in duty who neglect to impress upon their children the truth that quality of education is the power that determines the future. It is not sufficient that the schooling be provided, the love of knowledge first must be instilled in the home. The most competent instructor is helpless when confronted by disinterest.

## PREJUDICE

PREJUDICE, instead of indicating strength of character, denotes deficient moral courage. Prejudice means to "pre-judge," "to judge before, or prematurely." A man of strong prejudices rarely is open to conviction, and is a menace to society and to himself. Vastly different is retribution when proof is established of guilt. That is justice.

## DYNASTY

THE sporting editor of Cap and Bells, who has just returned from Alexandria on Number 41, says that it is quite correct to term the political gang a dynasty, as that is the way it will die next fall. Why not give up decently?

## THE DOG IN THE MANGER

THERE is more truth than poetry in that yarn about the dog in the manger. The one to which we refer is so mad that its master had to put a square on it—to keep it from biting itself.

## MERCY!

A PARAGON, it's a mistake, we mean a "parody" of virtue, should destroy his unsolicited and insulting love letters before sending them. It may save trouble.

## OUCH!

THE political gang must be running out of ideas. We have not had any kind of court papers served on us for two whole days.

# SO THE PEOPLE MAY KNOW

In 1909 The Journal Demanded      In 1911 The Journal Begged  
**\$150.00**      **\$000.00**  
For the County Printing.

KANGAROOS, we are told, either in periods of infancy or senility, cry for the nipple, even after the last drop of milk is gone. There is a case in point in which the foregoing numerals constitute a vivid illustration. Then, too, they present a striking example of the sliding scale we hear so much about, and if we remember correctly, the people of Prince William County are set in their notions of enterprises that conduct business on too sliding a scale. At any rate, the incident we relate has to do with the most amazing specimen of gang methods in all political zoology.

Reader, carefully study the foregoing figures. They represent more than mere money. In this case they are symbols revealing hidden, though oft suspected, characteristics in the subject to which they apply. Let us look at the first group, which represents One Hundred and Fifty Dollars and No Cents, or should we write it No Sense? Be that as it may, The Journal, when in exclusive control of the newspaper field in Prince William County in 1909, demanded and held out for the extortionate sum of \$150 for the county printing that year. Grudgingly, complainingly, even insolently, with the supercilious attitude of conferring a favor upon a helpless victim, The Journal finally accepted \$100 for the county printing that year, but not until the last hope of squeezing another penny out of the taxpayers had gone. Last Monday, The Journal, following monopoly methods of freezing out competition, agreed to do the county printing without compensation during 1911, rather than give a contemporary business enterprise an opportunity for recognition. But The Journal did not proffer gratuitous service until driven by fear that THE DEMOCRAT might secure the contract on a living basis, and when The Journal representative discovered that he had actually thrown away a few dollars his dismay was pitiful to behold.

Paralleled only in mercenary cunning by that never to be forgotten unjust county printing deal, but a year ago, when after our bid had been opened, The Journal, purposely withholding its bid, was informed the figures to submit to undermine our estimate, political gang methods characterized the scene when the county printing contract came to the consideration of the Board of Supervisors last Monday afternoon. Trickery foiled, the representative of The Journal resorted to an attack upon a legitimate and responsible business enterprise. "Bob" Hutchison was the representative of The Journal, and The Virginia Publishing Company the institution against which he uttered anathemas. Of course "Bob" didn't come right out in the open with his denunciatory pronouncements. That isn't his way. But he cunningly poured verbal poison into the ears of the Supervisors.

"Bob," who appeared on the scene without a written bid, fairly itched to know the sum stipulated in the sealed proposal of The Virginia Publishing Company. Had he known that our bid was \$30, would he have submitted a bid of \$29.99, or offer to do the work for nothing? What's the answer? But he couldn't find out until he submitted a bid for The Journal. So loath to give the county the benefit of a possible penny in the reduction of contract figures, "Bob" Hutchison, representative of The Journal, began to skirmish. He figured that it was more than likely The Virginia Publishing Company for THE DEMOCRAT to compete would submit a bid under \$40, the amount by which The Journal received the contract last year, after being informed that THE DEMOCRAT offered for \$50; services for which the preceding year The Journal demanded \$150 and finally accepted \$100.

The Journal wants the last pound of flesh. So Hutchison hesitated about presenting a bid. Then by indirect reference he questioned the responsibility of The Virginia Publishing Company.

The sealed bid of THE DEMOCRAT lay upon the table staring him in the face.

Driven to desperation the representative of The Journal proposed that the bid of THE DEMOCRAT be thrown out and that The Journal be awarded the county printing at the present contract price, \$40 a year. The Supervisors declined to consider the proposition. Supervisors Guick and Syncox emphatically protested against the attempt to introduce political gang methods, and demanded that The Journal submit a bid in competition with THE DEMOCRAT. Hutchison hesitated. He had hoped to avoid this. He could not endure thought of THE DEMOCRAT by any possibility securing the contract and so he said:

"The Journal will do the work for nothing."  
The contrast of the proposal with former extortions of The Journal, was so startling the supervisors could scarcely believe their ears.

"Place that in writing," demanded Supervisors Guick and Syncox. Hutchison did so.

In reply to the attack upon the responsibility of The Virginia Publishing Company we can truthfully state there is more money backing THE DEMOCRAT than any other county newspaper in Virginia. Our financial resources revealed when occasion demands, are causing our enemies, members of the political gang, much apprehension. Suffice to say, The Virginia Publishing Company is financially responsible and the editors and managers of THE DEMOCRAT are morally reliable for the fulfillment of all contracts. THE DEMOCRAT is a permanent institution of Prince William County. THE DEMOCRAT is proud of the fact that it is saving the taxpayers much money on the county printing. A reduction from \$150 to nothing means something. It pays to have two papers in a community, especially when the second, a newspaper, is THE DEMOCRAT. The county printing consists in the publication of the proceedings of the Board of Supervisors in a county newspaper. It is of general interest and whether paid or not commands newspaper space. There is no doubt that the gratuitous publication of the supervisors' proceedings in THE DEMOCRAT is read by several hundred more persons than the paid publication in The Journal.

But the political gang, through its organ, The Journal, would squeeze the last cent from the taxpayers. The futile plot of Monday is only one of many to which the political gang has resorted to crush THE DEMOCRAT, just because we dare tell the truth.

But reverting to ciphers, this is lovely zero weather, isn't it?

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