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MANASSAS, VA., THURSDAY, MAR. 13, 1913.

W. H. W. MORAN

The death of Mr. Moran on Tuesday last, removes from our community one of our most prominent citizens.

In the year 1898 he organized a stock company to which he eventually sold his interest in the Journal and removed to Warrenton, where he established at considerable expense a newspaper called The Warrenton Review.

Mr. Moran was easily the dean of the newspaper men of Manassas. Indeed it would be difficult to name any man in Northern Virginia who was his equal in the use of the editorial pen.

Mr. Moran, in the latter half of his career, was greatly hampered by his health. The condition of his lungs was probably the main cause of his removal from Manassas.

Mr. Moran was a self-made man. We understand that he had no superior educational advantages in his youth, but by extensive reading and close application he acquired a knowledge not only of current English literature, but of the best of the world's classics and of many of the important sciences.

His interesting family have the sympathy of the entire community.

THE WASHINGTON POLICE

The disgraceful management of the throngs that were in Washington to witness the parade of suffragists on the third has brought before the entire country a few facts in regard to the Nation's Capital police force that has been known to near residents for many years.

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WILSON'S CABINET

Always a new president's cabinet is watched with great interest and some curiosity until the public becomes acquainted with their methods and policies. Probably no president has ever named as his premier a man so widely known or one who has been so prominent in the country's politics as Mr. Bryan.

THE FRIEDMAN CURE

It has been a custom for all time among much of the medical profession to refrain from advertising either their ability or their remedies until it was proven beyond a shadow of doubt that they had something of real value to the world.

It was perhaps due to the offer of a New York banker of \$1,000,000 if a cure could be effected on his son-in-law but enough of it came from other sources that flavored so strongly of advertising that many of the leading physicians of this country showed great skepticism when Dr. Friedman made his first experiments in the Peoples Hospital in New York.

THE Mexicans are still engaged in their national pursuit. CAN't the health authorities do something to the germ that spreads spring fever?

PARAGRAPHS

THE trouble with some men is they think the only kind of success is the howling variety.

AT any rate it only takes two bullets to make a spring—'Kill the umpire' and 'Swat the fly.'

IT isn't time yet, but just for the sake of the sweet sound, we ask, "Who's going to pitch today?"

CONSIDERING the fact that there are only ten commandments to be broken some men do very well.

INSTEAD of knocking Mr. Bryan into a cocked hat, President Wilson has knocked him into a high hat.

FEDERAL employees will not be removed except for inefficiency, but Republicans are notoriously inefficient.

A JOHNS HOPKINS professor has discovered that orange blossoms can be used as an anesthetic. Often they are.

WOMEN suffragists may come to regard the 3d of March as almost as important an anniversary as the Fourth of July.

AT this stage of the game all over the country assistant managers are praying that the boss will land a government job.

THEY used to tell a boy, "You'll be a man yet before your mother will." Nowadays there seems to be some doubt of it.

THERE'S an ossified man out in St. Paul who hasn't bent his back in twenty years. What a congressman he would make!

VIRGINIA justice is tempered with mercy in the large view that we must protect the principles in which both justice and mercy abide.

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THE goose that laid the golden egg is a back number when compared with the American hen which her annual output worth three billion dollars.

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IF people were half as anxious to search out their own faults as they are to expose the faults of others, there would be fewer quarrels among friends.

NOW comes a college president who says Eve was not all that would be demanded of her in society today. Of course not—she couldn't turkey too.

SOME folks are fussing about the new nickels being ugly, but give us enough of them at their face value, and we will believe that beauty is only skin deep.

A RHODE ISLAND woman has been sentenced to three months in jail for killing her husband, which, it must be admitted, is easier than living a whole year in Reno.

SECRETARY DANIELS is practicing democratic simplicity and eats nothing for lunch but bread and milk; but wouldn't you see his boots and naval cap?

BOSTON spinsters say they are willing to pay \$5 head tax if they are allowed to propose. Why compel the Boston girls pay for a privilege which all the other women of the country now enjoy free of charge?

VIRGINIA is making rapid gains in her standing as an apple-growing state. In 1910 she ranked sixth in number of apple trees, fifth in number of bushels produced and fourth in value of crop.

There were shipped from all points in the State in 1910 1,031,991 barrels, in 1911 615,317 barrels and in 1912 1,183,818 barrels. In shipping points Winchester ranked first in 1912, shipping 100,603 barrels and Culpeper ranked seventh, shipping 32,159 barrels.

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LARGE SQUAD TURNS OUT FOR PRACTICE

Under careful attention of Coach Russell Eastern College Baseball Team Bounds into Shape—Good Material.

Gov. William Hodges Mann has designated Friday, March 28th, as Arbor Day in the Commonwealth of Virginia, which the inhabitants are besought to devote to doing their part in making the State progressively beautiful.

Whereas, it is necessary for the best citizenship that the people of this State should take interest in, and by their means and efforts contribute to the making of wise laws, the creation and preservation of wholesome regulations for social intercourse, but to making the State we live progressive and beautiful; and

Whereas, these things are especially true with reference to our public schools, which should be social centers and made agreeable and attractive to all the people; and whereas, the planting and cultivation of trees and flowers contribute greatly to these results and create in those who plant and cultivate an interest which would not otherwise exist;

Therefore, I, William Hodges Mann, Governor of Virginia, do now and hereby designate Friday, March 28, 1913, as Arbor Day, and do earnestly request the people of the State to plant trees and flowers on that day, thus beautifying and making comfortable their homes; and, do especially request the young people attending our schools to regard them as second homes, and to plant trees and flowers, and to take pride in doing everything likely to add to their attractiveness.

On the initial sack the fans will find Doug. Merchant, the real star, and it is almost useless to say anything in regard to his ability only that he is in better shape, and he will put up some very fine ball the coming season.

At second Dunlap is the most promising boy that has tried for that position, and with the proper coaching should hold the position. Mark Glasscock will undoubtedly play short, as he is very experienced and shows good form.

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OBSERVE ARBOR DAY FRIDAY, MARCH 28

GOVERNOR ISSUES PROCLAMATION

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ANOTHER VETERAN ANSWERS ROLL-CALL

LIEUT. B. N. MERCHANT DEAD

"Taps" Sounded for Gallant Confederate Soldier at Home of His Daughter in Baltimore Last Friday.

Once more taps has been sounded over the grave of a gallant Confederate soldier, and a brave, loyal Southern gentleman has gone to that bourne from whence no traveler ever returns, that house not made with hands eternal in the heavens. It is with regret and deep sorrow that we record the death of Lieut. Benjamin D. Merchant which occurred at his daughter's home in Baltimore last Friday evening, March 14, at 5 o'clock. He had been in excellent health until some time last September when his suffering from kidney and bladder troubles forced him to give up his work and he gradually failed until finally the end was brought by a form of pneumonia that filled his lungs and stopped the beat of a heart that ever throbbled with kindness and love of his fellow man.

Lieut. Merchant was born June 3, 1859, at Dumfries. When a boy of about 17 years of age he came to Manassas and engaged in the mercantile business where he remained until the outbreak of the war. He was one of the organizers of the Prince William Cavalry and was Orderly Sergeant when the company was mustered into the Confederate service. In the first skirmish in which the company was engaged, June 1, 1861, at Fairfax Court-house, he captured the first prisoner taken by the Army of Northern Virginia.

At the reorganization of the company the first year of the war he was elected Second Lieutenant and when Capt. Williams was killed at Raccoon Ford Lieut. L. A. Davis was promoted to the captaincy and Lieut. Merchant to first lieutenant. He was captured at Antioch Church, this county, in December, 1863, and confined in the Old Capital prison in Washington. Shortly afterwards he was transferred to Fort Delaware and in August, 1864, he made one of the 600 commissioned officers that were sent to Morris Island, S. C., by Secretary Stanton in a disgraceful spirit of retaliation, when that place was under the fire of the Confederate batteries defending Charleston. Nearly one-third of this gallant

600 perished from enemy and kindred diseases caused by privations and unsanitary conditions of the stockade in which they were confined.

Lieut. Merchant was released from prison after Lee's surrender. In the year of 1867 he married Miss Mary Elizabeth Fowell of Sudley Farm, this county. He returned to Manassas after the war, shared the hardships of reconstruction with his friends and neighbors and was a good and useful citizen honored and respected by all who knew him. He succeeded the late Crawford Cushing as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and served the county well and honorably in that capacity for twenty-five years. For the past eight years he has been traveling salesman for a Baltimore firm.

His funeral was very largely attended, friends coming from all parts of the country to pay their last respects, until the Episcopal church was totally inadequate to hold them. The Manassas Masonic Lodge, of which he was a charter member, turned

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MORE ABOUT THAT BATTLEFIELD PARK

THE QUESTION AS TO PROPER PRICE OF LAND IS MOST DIFFICULT ONE—MR. ROUND EXPLAINS HIS REASONS TO THE EDITOR.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT: The copy of the Bull Run Battlefield Bill as published by the Washington Star and copied by yourself was not the bill which passed. The preamble reciting the facts as claimed by the friends of the movement was adopted and the opinion of the Secretary of War was asked by Congress as to the practicability and advisability of purchasing the land, and the price which would have to be paid for it. There was no money appropriated.

The Secretary of War will no doubt at an early date institute an investigation, probably through the Quartermaster General's Department. It will depend largely on this inquiry as to how much land will be taken. There are so many different opinions on this question that it is impossible to tell what the Secretary's opinion or the opinion of his advisors may be.

The question of the price is a still more difficult question. Some think that the land should be valued at the amount of corn it will raise to the acre. Others think that the remarkable events which have occurred there have given it a historic value. I expect to appear before the Secretary of War on behalf of the land owners, some of whom I represent. The questions which present themselves are new and novel and in fact without precedent.

Some of my friends have asked me if I expect compensation for my services. On this point you permit me to say that at the time I first appeared before the Military Committee in 1902 I was advised by one of its leading members that it had been the invariable experience of the government that the moment Congress indicated a purpose to purchase land the prices were doubled, trebled and even quadrupled.

He advised me to secure options on the land at once, at a reasonable figure as the owners of the land would then give. He further said that the requirements of the government were rigid and that it had been their experience that the government would buy better in dealing with an attorney than directly with the land owners. When I appeared before the Committee again in April, 1912, together with representatives of the Grand Army and Confederate Veterans and of the Business League of Manassas, I informed the Committee I represented the land holders. At the end of a lengthy hearing the Committee as a whole requested me to secure options. Under those circumstances I have done so and I have made no secret of the fact that I have arranged in said options for what the land owners regard as reasonable compensation. As this is a matter the public has an interest in I have no objection to the public understanding my relation to the matter.

GEORGE C. ROUND, March 18, 1913

Blind persons may now travel over the Southern Railway lines unaccompanied and will have every assistance of the company's trainmen while traveling, according to a notice filed with the interstate commerce commission by the railway company.

CLOSING SESSION OF FARMERS' INSTITUTE

TAKES PLACE FRIDAY, MARCH 28

Promises to be One of the Best of Season—Well Known Virginia Speakers Expected—Women's Auxiliary.

By PROF. H. F. BUTTON, Secretary Northern Virginia Farmers' Institute. The Farmers' Institute to be held March 28 will not merely be the last regular meeting of the season, but it will be one of the best of the year. As announced last week, Hon. Whit D. Peyton, of Fredericksburg, will give a talk on the "Home Orchard," a subject often neglected and one on which he speaks with authority.

As a special attraction to this last meeting, another well known Virginian is expected, Hon. Westmoreland Davis, of Loudoun county, so well known as any man in the State for his advocacy of the Lime Bill and his presidency of the State Farmers' Institute. Mr. Davis is also known as a successful breeder of Percheron horses on which subject he will speak.

The Women's Auxiliary will listen to an address on "The Needs of Our Schools" by Mr. Chas. G. Maphis, who is so well known and needs no introduction. It will be necessary at this meeting to make all arrangements for the contribution of the Corn Club and the Tomato Club. A number of prizes have been given and more are needed to carry the work on to successful completion. Lunch will be served by the Domestic Science Class.

It will be especially good news to the housewives of the community that Mrs. Julian Heath, president of the National Housewives' League, will come to Manassas on April 26, under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary of the Farmers' Institute and give an address on co-operation between the producer here and the consumers among Washington housewives.

Mrs. Heath is among the most widely-sought-for speakers in this country today and we are particularly fortunate in being able to secure her, so it is earnestly desired that every member of the Woman's Auxiliary and Farmers' Institute make a special effort to make this meeting the largest and best attended of the year, and as it surely will result in much-needed community gain.

Practical Aid for Live Stock Growers. SOUTHERN EMPLOYEES TWO EXPERTS. Known as Assistant Live Stock Agents and Report to F. L. Wood, Live Stock Agent, at Atlanta, Ga.

To give practical aid to live stock growers along its lines, the Southern Railway company has secured the services of two experts in animal husbandry: Dr. Walter Sorrell, who will be stationed at Greensboro, N. C., and will work in Virginia, North and South Carolina; and Dr. C. D. Lowe, who will be stationed at Chattanooga, Tenn., and will work in Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky and Mississippi. They will be known as assistant live stock agents and will report to F. L. Wood, live stock agent, Atlanta, Ga.

PREVIOUS CONSPIRACY OF THE ALLEN GANG

TOLD TO MINISTER BY SIDNA ALLEN

Had Planned to "Shoot-Up" a North Carolina Court Had Sidna Allen Not Been Acquitted from Charges.

From an account in the Richmond Virginian it had evidently been the intention of Sidna Allen to shoot up another court, previous to the Hillville tragedy, had not he been freed from a charge of counterfeiting in North Carolina court. His brothers were in the court at the time of the trial and had been judged guilty, the whole court would have been murdered. This conspiracy was told to a Baptist minister on the train coming back after Allen had been freed, and the statement was made boastfully by Sidna Allen. Rev. Carter delayed writing Governor Mann until he had made his final statement in regard to the Allen and wrote him to assure the executive that he had not made an error in his decision. Following is the letter from the Rev. Carter to Governor Mann.

The Baptist Parsonage, New Bern, N. C., March 7, 1913. To Governor Mann, Richmond, Va.: Hon. and Dear Sir:—I have just learned through the press that you have decided that the sentences imposed against Floyd Allen and his son, for murder, must be carried out. Now that your decision has been reached, if the papers/reports are correct, I desire to say that I have been acquainted with the heavily concerned in your decision. I am now pastor of the First Baptist Church of New Bern, N. C., but at the time Sidna Allen was tried for counterfeiting in Greensboro, I was the minister at Mount Airy, and the day he was acquitted, I returned to the latter city on the same train carrying Sidna Allen. We engaged in conversation about the trial and in response to a remark I made about the narrow escape he had from a penitentiary sentence, he said: "Yes, it was a mighty close call, but it was a good thing for the court that I was acquitted." I asked him why, and he said: "The lawyers were in court, and if I had been convicted Judge Boyd, and Attorney Holton would have shot me." Thinking it was simply a hot air remark I suggested that he would not have attempted any such thing, to which he replied: "We had our guns with us, and Judge Boyd would never have lived to sentence me for my brothers and I have made an agreement that not one of us shall ever go to the penitentiary." Seeing that I had somewhat skeptical, he insisted that he meant every word he said. I write this because I know you have mercy had there been any way to do so, about the case I know nothing, and will this and effort had never heard a thing against him. My only objection in writing this is to cause you to feel that you have been misled.

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TOPICS OF THE TOWN

The large water tank at Eastern College is being painted this week. Miss Sue Strother, of Markham, is a guest this week of Miss Ruth Round. F. Grey, of Middleburg, was a Manassas visitor one day the first of the week. John Walker, of Culpeper, was a Manassas visitor for a short while this week. Frederick H. Rhodes, of Charlottesville, was in town on business last Tuesday. L. A. Hulifah, of Haymarket, stopped over in Manassas for a few hours this week. Attractive window signs have been painted on the windows of Bell Bros. bakery this week. Miss Stevens, of Eastern College, spent Sunday in Washington with friends and relatives. Mrs. Anna Swetman, of Fairfax Station, was in town visiting Miss Beattie Walker last Tuesday. F. A. Cockrell & Co., expect to resume work on their new warehouse, on Center Street, in a few days. C. D. Fately and family moved from Manassas to Maryland this week and will locate permanently in that state. C. J. Meetze, of Bristow, has closed the business transaction of purchasing the Shannon property on West Street. A marriage license was issued to Mr. Joseph H. Raber and Miss Cynthia R. Bane, of Nokesville, on Tuesday of this week. Eddie Nicol, of Alexandria, is expected in Manassas the last of this week to spend a few days with friends and relatives. Ashby L. Payne, of Fredericksburg, spent some time in Manassas this week visiting his brother, R. W. Payne, at the Hotel. The Rev. Edwin S. Hinks, of Warrenton, will preach in the Episcopal Church this afternoon at 3:30 and to-morrow morning at 11 a. m. R. E. Weeks, of Nokesville, wishes to thank his friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy tendered him during the sickness and death of his wife. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Owens and daughter, Viola, of Washington, visited Mrs. Owen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carrico, of Bristow, Saturday and Sunday. A petition is in circulation to get signers who wish to have the proposed new Postoffice building located west of Battle street. Several others are also going the rounds to have the building in other locations. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harrell left last Monday for New York, where they will meet Cornelius Harrell, who for the past two years has held a fine position in Haiti, and who sails for Spain this week, where he will spend some time. The Brentsville School League will give an ice cream and box social Friday, March 23rd. There will be a good program and all are cordially invited to come and enjoy it. Proceeds for benefit of School. Doors open at 7:30, no admission charged. Married Monday, March 10th, by Dr. H. L. Quarles, at Ben Lomond, (the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Embrey), Mr. Walter H. Miller, of Prince William County, and Miss Lelia Ames Jacob, of Fauquier County. Mr. and Mrs. Miller, are residing on North Battle Street, in the house recently built by Mr. Welch. Dr. R. E. Wine last week showed us a lemon which had been given him by Mrs. Jud Jones, of near Manassas. The lemon was grown at her place and was one of the most perfect and beautiful specimens that has been shown here. It weighed one pound and four ounces. Mr. Dingles was presented with one weighing two ounces more.

John Hynson spent last Tuesday in Washington shopping. W. M. Strother, of Warrenton, was a Manassas visitor one day this week. J. J. Davies, of Culpeper, spent Sunday with friends and relatives in Manassas. Miss Kate Strother, of Markham, is the guest of friends in Manassas this week. John Cowhig, of Washington, spent Sunday with friends and relatives in Manassas. Miss Ruth Morgan visited with friends at Rectortown for a short time last Monday. R. Allen Merchant, of Richmond, spent Sunday with friends and relatives in Manassas. Miss Selina Taylor, of Falls Church, spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Manassas. Baseball season opens this Saturday with Eastern College and the High School crossing bats. Mr. J. E. Merchant and family of Alexandria, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Nease last Sunday. Mrs. Vandenberg and Mrs. Mantiply, of Clifton, spent Monday as guests of Mrs. C. E. Nease. Miss Genevieve Free, of Nokesville, spent one day of this week with friends and relatives in Manassas. Miss Alberta Davis has returned to her home in Bristow after visiting her cousin, Miss Marie Simpson, at Clarendon. Mark Glascock, of Marshall and Howard White of Culpeper have enrolled at Eastern College and are members of the baseball squad. Manager Rice is making arrangements for the High School baseball team to make a four-day trip through the northern part of Virginia. Misses Beattie and Laura Britton visited Miss Beattie Carver Friday and Saturday and attended the play at Red Hill school Friday night. The Prince William Pharmacy has a very attractive window display this week in the way of Easter emblems, candies, rabbits and so forth. Mrs. White and Mrs. George Adams, of Washington; Mrs. W. N. Merchant of Chatham; Mrs. Lelia Free and W. R. Free, Jr., of Nokesville, were guests of Mrs. R. J. Adamson last Sunday. T. P. Badger, son of Elder J. N. Badger, and wife, of New Jersey, and Miss Helen Badger, from Philadelphia, have been on a visit this week to their father, whose condition remains about the same. Mrs. Margaret Wheaton, living near Sinclair's Mill, celebrated her birthday last Sunday. Mrs. Wheaton has reached the age of 72 years. All of her children were present and a large delegation of her many friends. Mrs. E. Hotman, wife of A. B. Holliman, who went to Johns Hopkins Hospital for treatment several weeks ago, died in her berth in a Pullman car on train No. 41, last Saturday near Manassas. She was accompanied by her son, Harry Holliman. St. Patrick's Day was ushered in by ideal weather. The heavens were clear and the air crisp, in marked contrast to conditions which occasionally prevail on this saint's day from the fact the 17th of March is close to the period when the pernal equinox brings divers kinds of weather. A large squad is reporting at the High School this week for baseball practice. The most discouraging feature is the lack of pitching material, there being no one of hand at the school who is capable of holding the position down. It is all probability Bill Cather our local slab artist will be of great assistance to the team. My child was burned terribly about the face, neck and chest. I applied Mr. Thomas' Electric Oil. The pain ceased, and the child went into a peaceful sleep. Mrs. Nancy M. Hanson, Manassas, N. Y.

Harvey Russell spent Sunday with friends and relatives at his home in Marshall. A fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. George W. Brown last Tuesday night. Miss Marianne Walker spent Sunday with friends and relatives in Alexandria. C. C. Cushing, of Upperville, was in town for a few days this week visiting relatives. Mrs. D. W. Read, of Lynchburg, is the new professor of English in Eastern College. Aubrey Merchant, of Washington, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Merchant. Miss Lizzie Merchant has returned from an extended visit to friends and relatives in Washington. A business meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held Friday afternoon at three o'clock in the Efrid building. Paul Weir came down from the University of Virginia at Charlottesville yesterday to spend his Easter vacation. L. E. Beachley is now keeping ice cream every day and in almost any quantity since securing it from Alexandria. We regret to state that the condition of Joseph P. Lewis who suffered a stroke of paralysis last week is unchanged up to this time. The High School students and the pupils of the graded schools are having several days' vacation this week before the opening of the spring term. Miss Blanche Ransdell will entertain a number of her friends at cards to-morrow night in honor of her guest, Miss Florence Roth, of York, Pa. Messrs R. S. and John L. Hynson leave next Tuesday on a business trip to Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York. They will be gone the greater part of the week. M. Lynch, who has been seriously ill for the past week, is slightly improved at this time and has been moved from his residence near town to the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. E. Pope. A number of the students at Eastern College have gone to their homes this week to spend Easter. The school has closed until the opening of the final term which is next Tuesday morning. George Brenton expects to leave shortly with his horses Ben Lela, Royal Onyx and Bay Cliff for Benning race track in Washington and will probably go from there to Marlborough or Pimlico tracks for the spring races. The girls' basketball team of High School turned the tables on the Alexandria High School girls last Saturday and defeated them by the score of 21 to 8. The game was fast and well played by both teams and each put up a better game, playing more basketball than was played in Manassas. The two teams are even now, each having won a game. One half of the Alcott Pavine Block plant, which has been in operation here for more than a year, was Tuesday shipped to Baltimore where it will be installed. This change was brought about through the lack of lumber at paying prices. After continuing several days, the other half of the plant will be shipped to Norfolk for installation, for the same reasons. Granville Dickey, the little Washington lad of ten years, who wandered off from his home in that city was found yesterday, after having several troops of Fort Myer Soldiers, Washington boy scouts and the police force trying to locate him. He was found at Charlottesville, where the Nationals are for spring training. At any rate you couldn't blame him for keeping a watchful eye on the Climbars. River, clematis, orchid or salt rhodan sets you crazy. Can't bear the touch of your clothing. Don't let it irritate your skin. Wash it with soap and water. W. F. McABO, Secretary.

R. W. Payne visited friends and relatives in Orange last Sunday, returning to Manassas Monday. Miss Studda, of Washington, is expected in Manassas this week to be the guest of Mrs. G. G. Allen. A fine musical program has been arranged for the Vested Choir at the Episcopal Church for Easter services. Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Wright, of Richmond, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Merchant of Manassas. L. E. Beachley's window is dressed with Easter rabbits, candies and everything in this line, making it very attractive. W. H. Lipscomb spent the week end at his home in Manassas enroute to Chicago and San Francisco, on a business trip. Mrs. D. E. Fair, of Alexandria paid her mother, Mrs. John H. Rennoe, near Canova, a pleasant visit for a few days last week. James Dunnington, of Front Royal, was called here upon the death of his grandfather, Capt. Merchant, last Saturday, and remained for the funeral. The dance given by some of the young people of Manassas last Friday night was well attended, there being a large crowd of unexpected guests present. H. Y. Meetze and wife, of Rosevale Va., were here Saturday on their way to Washington to have a slight operation performed on their baby for adenoids. Misses Ada and Ora Mason Kincheloe, of Upperville, are expected in Manassas the last of the week as guests of Mrs. L. Frank Pattie and to attend the German. Mrs. E. W. Cornwell, of Bristow, who was recently operated on at Sibley Hospital, in Washington, is doing nicely, and expects to be able to return home in a few days. Latho Landis, of Nokesville, who has been in bad health for some time, was in town yesterday on his way home from Winchester, where he had been to consult Dr. Winchester. Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Lamb, of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Mr. Thomas H. Lamb, of Rockford, Mich., are awaiting their brother's family, Mr. E. A. Lamb, and Mrs. G. W. Johnson, an only sister. The Daughters of the Confederacy invite you to a silver tea to be held in the chapter room in commemoration of the Battle of Shiloh on Friday evening, April 4, at 7:30 o'clock. Admission to the entertainment will be ten cents, the proceeds to go to the aid of monument building. A very attractive program has been arranged and dainty refreshments will be served. There will be no meeting of the L. T. L. next Sunday as was previously announced, but on the afternoon of the first Sunday in April the W. C. T. U. and L. T. L. will observe Neal Dow Day. Further notice of this meeting will be given. Members of the L. T. L. are asked to meet next Tuesday afternoon just after school at the Baptist Church. This is for a practice of 'The L. T. L. as the L. T. L. is asked to take part in the program of Wednesday night at the Baptist Church when Mrs. Mae Sports will speak. ADVERTISEMENT FOR FEDERAL BUILDING SITES. TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Office of the Secretary, Washington, D. C., March 10, 1913. Proposals are hereby solicited, to be opened at the Office of the Supervising Architect, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., at 10 o'clock a. m., on April 1, 1913, for the sale of a corner lot centrally and conveniently located and suitable for Federal building site at Manassas, Virginia. The site must be approximately 16,000 square feet in area, and if the lot offered is rectangular, its minimum dimension must be not less than 115 feet. Upon application the Postmaster will supply particulars as to requirements and instructions for preparation of bids and data to accompany same. W. F. McABO, Secretary.

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TOPICS OF THE TOWN

B. Giddings has recently chased a new five passenger M. F. Studebaker touring car. Ella Garrison is spending her days as the guest of Miss Abeth Back at her home in town. H. Brown, of Warrenton, spent over in Manassas to visit his for a short while last day. Ada Reid, who has been with an attack of grip at her home in Alexandria is much improved. Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Hutchins of Hickory Grove, visited his relatives in Manassas last week. W. W. Holt, of Washington, is the guest at the home of Mrs. W. F. Merchant a few days this week. Ed Hynson, of Baltimore, and the Delmas, of Front Royal, were the guests of Jno. Hynson at the Easter German. Miss Beattie Merchant spent Sunday and Sunday visiting his relatives in Washington and Alexandria. A. A. Hoeff has purchased the passenger touring car of I. Ennon. Mr. Cannon is contemplating buying a Chalmers motor.

William H. Yeatman, 72 years old, a Confederate veteran died Monday morning at his home, 103 North Patrick street. His wife, Virginia Yeatman, survives. Mr. Yeatman was for a number of years engaged as a dealer in household specialties. He was a native of Westmoreland county, and during the civil war served in the Eighth Virginia regiment. The funeral services were held at 7:30 o'clock and were attended by members of Lee Camp of Confederate Veterans. The services were conducted by Rev. W. F. Watson, D. D. The body was shipped to The Plains for burial. Mr. Yeatman was a brother-in-law of Mayor P. P. Chapman, of Manassas, and was well known here.

The negro organization society of Virginia is sending out an appeal to the colored people of the State to observe the fourteenth day of April as a general clean-up day. It is desired that on this day and on the necessary days following the colored people all over the State will give a thorough cleaning to their dwelling houses, barns and out-houses, both inside and out, clean off their yards, whitewash or paint their houses and fix beyond any possible contamination their water supply and to do all things possible to make their homes thoroughly clean and their bodies and surroundings disease proof. It is the organization's desire to have all proceedings in the small towns and rural districts see to it that their people in the community are brought together in the schoolhouses and churches not later than the first Sunday in April. Not only will this movement if successful help all citizens of Virginia, but it will help wipe out the dreadful diseases such as consumption; typhoid fever, hookworm and other affections.

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MUSIC AND EXPRESSION RECITAL. A music and expression recital was held in Eastern College auditorium last Tuesday evening. It was well attended by college people and many from the town. The students show superior training and marked advancement in their work and are a credit to the college. The following was the program: 1. Piano Duet—Marche Militari—Misses Hume and Buck. 2. Reading—Laaca—Miss Helen Lewis. 3. Song—Folk Song—Miss Margaret O'Neil. 4. Reading—Two views of a case. Miss Mammie Lipscomb. 5. Song—"Oh dry Tears"—Miss Rosamond Cole. 6. Monologue—A heart rendering affair—Miss Ada Middleton. 7. Song—"I know a lovely Garden"—Miss Edith Otto. 8. Child impersonation—Naughty Zep—Miss Ernestine Moser. 9. Song—Sing me to Sleep—Miss Margaret Clark. 10. Reading—"The honor of the family"—Miss Helen Lewis. 11. Song—"The Chase"—Mr. Richard Kelly. 12. Impersonation—My day and now—a days—Miss Edith Otto. 13. Song—Shoogy Shoo—Girls Glee Club. DEATH OF WILLIAM H. YEATMAN. William H. Yeatman, 72 years old, a Confederate veteran died Monday morning at his home, 103 North Patrick street. His wife, Virginia Yeatman, survives. Mr. Yeatman was for a number of years engaged as a dealer in household specialties. He was a native of Westmoreland county, and during the civil war served in the Eighth Virginia regiment. The funeral services were held at 7:30 o'clock and were attended by members of Lee Camp of Confederate Veterans. The services were conducted by Rev. W. F. Watson, D. D. The body was shipped to The Plains for burial. Mr. Yeatman was a brother-in-law of Mayor P. P. Chapman, of Manassas, and was well known here. STATE-WIDE HEALTH CAMPAIGN. The negro organization society of Virginia is sending out an appeal to the colored people of the State to observe the fourteenth day of April as a general clean-up day. It is desired that on this day and on the necessary days following the colored people all over the State will give a thorough cleaning to their dwelling houses, barns and out-houses, both inside and out, clean off their yards, whitewash or paint their houses and fix beyond any possible contamination their water supply and to do all things possible to make their homes thoroughly clean and their bodies and surroundings disease proof. It is the organization's desire to have all proceedings in the small towns and rural districts see to it that their people in the community are brought together in the schoolhouses and churches not later than the first Sunday in April. Not only will this movement if successful help all citizens of Virginia, but it will help wipe out the dreadful diseases such as consumption; typhoid fever, hookworm and other affections.

ANOTHER VETERAN ANSWERS ROLL-CALL. Continued from first page. out over fifty strong and conducted the impressive Masonic funeral service at the grave. Members of Ewell Post, Confederate Veterans, were also in line to do honor to their departed comrade. Of his own family he is survived by three brothers, John E. Merchant, of Alexandria; W. C. M. Merchant, of Chatham, and Samuel S. Merchant, of Lorton. Two half-sisters, Mrs. George Adams and Mrs. Amy White, both of Washington. He leaves four sons, Dr. W. Fewell, Benjamin N., Richard H., and Harry M., and two daughters, Mrs. J. E. Dunnington and Miss Elizabeth Merchant. The church services were conducted by the Rev. Arthur, assisted by the regular choir, the pall bearers were Dr. Dr. W. F. Merchant, E. N. Merchant, R. H. Merchant, W. C. N. Merchant, J. E. Dunnington and James Dunnington. RUN OVER BY WELL-BORING MACHINE. William Weaver, whose home is near Calverton, was killed almost instantly at Callett yesterday. He was helping move a well-boring machine when he fell off his horse, the machine passing over him. He was taken to the office of Dr. Taylor where he died in about ten minutes. Mr. Weaver leaves a wife and one child. His funeral takes place this afternoon at Calverton. SPECIAL CLUB OFFER. We call your attention this week to our special combination offer of the Farmers' Journal and THE DEMOCRAT, and to the exceedingly low subscription rate for which these two papers can be had. THE DEMOCRAT is \$1.00 a year, and by subscribing for the two papers you will get THE DEMOCRAT for one year and the Farmers' Journal for two years, also one of their booklets all for the sum of \$1.25. The Farm Journal is a paper that every farmer knows. It is thirty-six years old and unlike any other paper. It is "cream, not skim milk," taken and read by more farmers than any other farm paper in the world. Read advertisement. HOLY WEEK AT TRINITY CHURCH. This is Holy Week or the last week in Lent. Services are being held every day in Trinity Episcopal Church. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday thirty-minute services were held in the afternoon. Today divine service will be held at 3:30 p. m. The Rev. Edwin S. Hinks, of Warrenton, preaching, followed by the Holy Communion. Services will also be held on Good Friday at 11 o'clock, Easter Eve, Friday at 3:30 o'clock, Easter Day, at 3:30 o'clock, at 11 o'clock. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon the Sunday School celebration will take place, at which time the children will present their mite boxes. This offering goes to missions in the diocese of Virginia. SOUTHERN RAILWAY. Preferential route to Panama, Canal Zone, Central and South America via New Orleans and steamer. Two days' time is saved. Consult agents for particulars. Don't use harsh physics. The reaction weakens the bowels, leads to chronic constipation. Get Doan's Regulator. They operate easily. 25c at all druggists. BUSINESS NOTICES. AUTOMOBILE FOR SALE. On account of leaving Virginia I will sell my 1912 Studebaker car with all that goes with it very cheap to a quick buyer. The car can be seen at St. Albans, Va. W. A. JOHNSON, 1021 Oliver Building. Edith Chilled plows and repairs for same are for sale by W. C. WAGNER.

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