

NOT PREPARED FOR WAR

"If a crisis should come to this country we would be absolutely unprepared to meet it. In all continental United States there are today just 33,000 regular soldiers, just three times the number of the police of New York.

"I want to impress upon you that we have just 33,000 men ready now and trained for warfare. With the addition of the National Guard the number would be run up to about 150,000. Wars come suddenly. If the United States should be plunged into conflict with a first class power it would mean that an army of 600,000 men would be necessary within thirty days, for within that time the opposing nation would be attempting to land troops on our shores. And the army of 600,000 would be only a starter."—Speech by Secretary of War Garrison at Denver.

SOUTH SHOULD BE PROSPEROUS

According to officials of the terminal railroads which center at Memphis, Tenn., there will be 2,000,000 bales of cotton gathered this fall within a radius of 125 miles of Memphis. Cotton has been selling around 12 cents a pound, and with the Balkan war settled and the tariff out of the way the price should be pretty well maintained for some time. Add to the price at which the cotton sells, the money derived from the sale of the seed and the farmer will receive around \$75 a bale gross for his cotton. The total will therefore amount to about \$15,000,000 for a single staple crop grown in a small area of the South. Does this indicate hard times? The banks have been preparing to handle the crop, and the Secretary of the United States Treasury has served notice that the government is ready to supply cash with which to market the enormous crop. Memphis is but one cotton market and not the largest in the country. The Texas and Oklahoma crops are estimated at from 5,000,000 to 6,000,000 bales. All of this enormous sum of money will go into circulation, and surely it should bring good times. Unfortunately most of the cotton grown is exported and the manufactured articles are imported. All this should be saved to this country by the establishing of cotton mills in the cotton growing states or in the United States.

ALASKA AS AN EXPERIMENT

One of the suggestions made by Colonel Roosevelt in his speech accepting the Progressive nomination for President was that Alaska be made experimental ground for new governmental ideas and policies. The territory, in its isolation, presented admirable material for the purpose. It has no established institutions which would be disorganized. The population was meagre and, what was better, was not so settled in its ways or grown so conservative through custom that it would oppose experiment out of mere opposition to change.

It is pleasant to observe that though Colonel Roosevelt was not returned to Washington his admirable suggestion has not been ignored. The Democratic congress has looked over and has found it well worth while. Alaska will probably be used as a political experiment. Bills now before congress propose not only the construction of government railroads, but the construction as well of telegraph and telephone systems. The government may go even farther than leasing coal lands. It may itself mine coal. It may build wharves as the outlet of the coal fields and manage them, may erect warehouses and conduct them.

These enterprises are not only beginnings at experiments in government ownership, but they will be sufficient to let the country know whether public ownership of public utilities can succeed under a democratic form of government, or must prove lamentable failures.

PARAGRAPHS

The best way to get your name in the paper is to advertise. A fool and his money are parted before he realizes that he is a fool.

You can't always judge a man by his clothes. It's safer to look at his wife's.

Artificial legs are a by-product of war. One of the Balkan states is advertising for three thousand.

Farmers and others can now send by parcel post a package of 20 lbs. a distance of 150 miles for 24 cents.

If everybody's good intentions of yesterday were put into execution to-day the millennium would come to-morrow.

Several state prisons are abolishing stripes. Probably feel that they are inappropriate for a man who has led a checkered career.

With seven hundred wives to tell him what was what, we're not surprised that Solomon got a reputation for possessing wisdom.

A good cantaloupe is a poem, a dream, and a pumpkin is all right as a pumpkin, but a pumpkin cantaloupe is a delusion and a snare.

Shakespeare told us all about the seven ages of man, but he didn't say a word about the two ages of woman—the age she says she is and the age she really is.

Somebody is trying to prove that Adam was not the first man. Poor old Adam! He doesn't seem to get credit for being anything worth while since some of the prominent suffragists acquired a dislike for him.

One Boston woman is willing to give a million dollars to found an Adamless Eden, notwithstanding history offers nothing in that line but failures. There will be some hope of establishing a successful Adamless Eden when nature produces enough yearless women to populate it.

Acting Secretary of the Treasury Allen has announced that sanitary inspections of all railroad trains in the United States are to be made by sanitary inspectors of public buildings of the supervising architect of the Treasury. The reports will be sent to the public health service for consideration and action.

The management of the Fredericksburg, Va., Agriculture Fair Association, which holds its annual exhibit this year September 30 to October 2, have arranged for a reunion of Confederate veterans, October 2. The feature of the reunion will be a gathering of the survivors of Mosby's brigade. H. C. Stuart, Democratic candidate for the governorship of Virginia will attend. Governor Mann has promised to address the veterans. Senators Martin and Swanson have accepted invitations, as have Congressmen W. A. Jones and C. E. Carrin.

Eighty-three members have been named in Democratic primaries or otherwise for the next House of Delegates, and with one or two exceptions their election in November is really assured. The large majority will have no Republican opposition. Of the eighty-three members forty-eight are new, in the sense that they were not members of the last House of Delegates though several have served in the lower branch in former years, and are familiar with the procedure. Only thirty-five of the 100 members who composed the last House of Delegates have up to this time been re-nominated, some voluntarily dropped out, others sustaining defeat in the primaries.

EASTERN COLLEGE OPENS SEPT. 25

The fifteenth annual session of Eastern College will open on the twenty-fifth of next month with prospects for a most successful year. From present indications, which are very bright, the school will have a greatly increased attendance this fall, as the greater majority of the students who attended last year have made arrangements to return and the influx of new students will be far above the average. The school this year offers the same courses as last year, the four year College course, the Academy course and the Commercial course aside from the fine advantages also in Music, Piano, Voice and Violin, chime painting, General Art and Expression. Two new courses have been added, Household and Manual Arts. Each department at the school has been materially strengthened and offers a most excellent opportunity for a good education under professors and instructors who are graduates from some of the best universities in the land. It is hoped that much success and prosperity is in store for the College in 1913.

CATHARPIN COLT SHOW, SEPT. 6.

Work on the stands and grounds for the coming Catharpin Horse Show are nearing completion and by the time of the exhibition everything will be in first class order and every possible convenience will be made for every one. Entries for the show close August 29th, and from the present out look the classes will be very well filled and with many horses which have been favorites in several of the larger shows in the State. The racing department is being rapidly and this feature alone will almost assure the management of a big crowd. Everything in the eating line can be had on the grounds and at a very reasonable price. On Saturday of next week, Sept. 6th, should the weather prove good, the town of Catharpin will be filled with one of the largest crowds that ever assembled there. The new stretch of cement sidewalk on the south side of Center street between Grant Avenue and West street has been finished and greatly adds to the appearance of this section.

Coal and Wood

I will soon be prepared to furnish customers with all the Coal and Wood of all kinds that they may wish for this fall and winter's use, and the prices will be right. Hold your orders.

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OUR NEW COUNCILMEN HOLD FIRST MEETING

MAYOR APPOINTS COMMITTEES
C. Raymond Ratcliffe Again Made Clerk—Sergeant Weir Reappointed—Number of Bills Ordered Paid.

Mayor Hill Brown presided over the first council meeting last Monday night with the following councilmen present: Messrs. Dr. C. R. C. Johnson, E. A. Brand, C. E. Nash, D. H. Prescott, A. Spieden, Wm. Wheeler and E. R. Conner.

On a motion of Mr. Spieden the certificate of qualifications of the councilmen elected was presented and ordered to be filed, as was the certificate of Mayor Brown's qualifications.

By a unanimous vote of the members of the council present, G. Raymond Ratcliffe was again elected to serve for two years as clerk of the council at a salary of \$75 a year. For eleven years Mr. Ratcliffe has filled this position with great faithfulness and credit.

R. M. Weir, sergeant, who for the past year or so has been employed in this position, was again elected. The Sergeant made his settlement with the Council, and all tax bills and licenses turned in by Mr. Weir in the settlement not considered good were ordered destroyed. On a motion made and seconded, all tax bills and licenses turned in which were considered good were ordered returned to the sergeant for collection and his account charged with the same.

On motion, Councilmen Dr. C. R. C. Johnson, E. A. Brand and A. E. Spieden were appointed a committee to investigate and advise a right of way for the disposal plant, also to recommend an engineer to carry out the proposed improvements.

The Mayor appointed the following standing committees: Education, Ordinance, Streets, Public Safety, Election, Commerce and Public Property.

MISCELLANEOUS

Clifford Swann, of Washington, spent a few days here this week.

Mr. Donald Garrison returned to her home in Alexandria last week.

William Hinton spent Sunday at the home of his parents, near Manassas.

Mr. Lily Linton and sister, Mrs. Lynn, returned to Washington last week.

Miss Hattie Simpson and James Anderson, of Minnesota, spent several days in Dumfries.

The Rev. Bell held services at Episcopal Church Sunday evening and evening.

Chancellor Brewer and family of Washington, were guests of James Garrison this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Graffam and daughter, Emily, spent several days at Clifton this week.

Miss Estelle Alexander, of Manassas, was the guest of Mrs. Viola Kaye on Labor Day.

Richard and Kloman Wheat, of Washington, spent a few days at the home of their mother, Mrs. West Wheat this week.

BULL RUN CAMP'S ANNUAL FIELD DAY

HAYMARKET, VA., SEPTEMBER 11
Grand Tournament, Baseball Game and Many Other Amusements—Robt. A. Hulsehead to Give Address to Knights.

Bull Run Camp No. 12693, Modern Woodmen of America, will hold their Grand Annual Field Day on next Thursday, Sept. 11th, at Haymarket. The meeting will begin at 10:30 in the morning and last through the day. At eleven o'clock a baseball game between two first class teams will be played and following this will be other games and amusements in the afternoon.

At about four o'clock, a tournament, the feature of the day, will take place and following this will be the address by R. A. Hulsehead, of Manassas. Refreshments will be served on the grounds at a very reasonable cost and it is expected that with fair weather a large crowd will be in attendance, as the committee in charge consists of gentlemen who will see that every possible thing is done to insure success for the Field Day events and make all attending have an enjoyable day.

If the weather does not permit the taking place of this annual meeting it will be held on the next following fair day. Many from Manassas are planning to attend and make this a big time for the Bull Run Camp.

SOME EXCITEMENT IN COURT ROOM

During a trial in Justice J. Moore's court at the Town Hall last Monday night, Robert A. Hutchison, one of our prominent lawyers, attacked James F. Gulick, who was at the time being tried for a misdemeanor. Mr. Gulick, who is 70 years old and a Confederate veteran, was being tried for boxing the ears of a small boy, who had used abusive language to him and had called him names, which he greatly resented. Attorney Hutchison was cross examining the prisoner, Mr. Gulick, who is a man of small stature, while Hutchison is a man weighing in the neighborhood of 200 pounds, and by his aggressive questioning he angered Mr. Gulick, who told him he did not tell the truth, whereupon Hutchison grabbed the old veteran and probably would have greatly punished him had not bystanders in the hall prevented further trouble.

The fight resulted in the prisoner losing a few strands of gray hair. From what we can learn, five dollars were imposed upon the lawyer and prisoner. The courtroom at the time of the outbreak was filled with ladies and gentlemen, many of whom became frightened at the proceedings and left the hall. Mr. Gulick is a well known member of the County Board of Supervisors.

It is understood that Mr. Hutchison denies the above, and claims he was acting in self-defense. Mr. Gulick, however, denies that he made any assault upon Mr. H.

Winston Carter Lawler, a well known and respected citizen of Manassas, died at his home here last Tuesday morning. He had reached the age of forty-six years. The cause of death was due to cancer. For some time he has been engaged in farming near town. The remains were taken to Marshall this morning for interment, this town being the place of his birth.

Edgar M. Rouse, well known in Manassas, died Tuesday at his home in Remington of Bright's disease. He was well known throughout this county and had many friends in this locality. For many years he was a traveling salesman and also a druggist.

Don't fail to attend Catharpin Show Saturday.

BALL GAME MONDAY ON EASTERN FIELD

CLIFTON vs. NEBRASKA INDIANS
Will Be Best Game of Baseball Played in this Section this Season—Turn Out Fans, and Boast for Clifton.

For the first time this season the baseball bugs and fans of Manassas and vicinity will have a chance to witness a real live nine inning baseball game here on next Monday, and it promises to be a winner from start to finish. The fast ball team of Clifton will play the well known Green's Nebraska-Indians on Eastern Athletic Field at three o'clock, September 8th.

About six years ago, when baseball was in its prime here, Manassas played the fast Indian nine and were defeated by an overwhelming score. The contest drew the largest crowd that has ever assembled to witness a baseball game here. Now the Clifton nine comes along and will try their hands. All this season they have been putting up an excellent article of ball, and have beaten many of the best teams in this part of the country. They are well fortified in every position and have a most excellent squad of twirlers. With this bunch of experienced ball players classed against the fast Nebraska-Indians it promises to be "some" game.

The red men are fast on their feet, as Indians ever are, and sure fielders. At the bat they are vicious and with wonderful accuracy of the eye they are able to elude the best of pitchers. These genuine Indian experts have appeared with great success throughout the United States and Canada and have an enviable record to their credit, and without doubt are the greatest and best Indian ball team in the country to-day.

It is up to the public of Manassas and surrounding country to come out and treat themselves to this performance and at the same time aid the team of our neighboring town. All fans get together and let's help Clifton put one over on this fast bunch of Indian athletes.

E. H. Nash, who for the past 6 years has been the efficient general manager of the Shenandoah Produce Co. of this town has resigned to take effect Sept. 1, and will remove with his wife to Manassas, where he has accepted the position of assistant postmaster, under Postmaster Sinclair, Mrs. Nash's father. Mr. Nash makes the change in order that Mrs. Nash may be with her parents. They will take with them to their new home the best wishes of the many friends they have made during their stay in our town.—Warren Sentinel.

The basis of the famous Daily Quartette will be in Manassas next Sunday, Sept. 7th, and will sing at the Southern Methodist Church in the morning. The ladies of the church will have him give a song talk in Eastern College Auditorium that evening at 8 o'clock. There will be no admission charged but a silver offering taken at the door.

The B-County Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union meets at Woodbine Church to-day. A number of delegates from different sections of Fauquier and Prince William came to Manassas on morning trains to-day and were met with courtesies taking them to the meeting.

It has been rumored on the street this week that the livery business belonging to J. A. Morgan had been purchased by J. O. Judd who will conduct the business from now on.

CORN AND TOMATO CLUBS HOLD MEETING

YOUNG PEOPLE ARE ENTHUSIASTIC
Interesting Talks Were Made by W. M. Brown and Mr. M. Emmert—Several Prizes Were Awarded.

A very interesting and enthusiastic meeting of the Boys' Corn Club and the Girls' Tomato Club was held at the courthouse last Tuesday afternoon. A good gathering of young people were present, but the farmers seemed to lack interest and did not have exhibits of any kind to contest beside those of our boys and girls. The prizes for the best tomatoes were won by Mildred Herrell second, and Merle Payne, third. All of these exhibits were first class, but those winning the first prize were exceptionally so, the product being of large size, beautiful shape and a bluish color not to be found on any of the tomatoes exhibited by Miss Lawler.

The first prize for the best corn went to John Broadus, of Millford, and the second to Wilson Hundley, of Manassas. The winner of this exhibit had one of the finest ears of corn that has ever been grown in this section. The ear was about twelve inches long and the conformation was almost perfect. The first prize for yellow corn went to Walter Sanders, of Catharpin, this also being an excellent exhibit. Both the prize winning corn and tomatoes are now on exhibition at the Prince William Pharmacy and are rare specimens.

W. M. Brown, field agent for the Southern Railway, gave a very interesting and instructive talk on "Co-operation to keep the boys and girls on the farm," and his address was followed by remarks from M. M. Emmert, the market agent of the Southern Railway. He lectured on "What the Southern is doing to help the farmer market his crops." A demonstration of canning was given and the girls put up about fifty cans of tomatoes. The meeting was a very successful one in every respect and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

John U. Detrick has recently severed his connections with the Cabin Branch Mining Company at Dumfries, Prince William county, and has moved with his family to New Market, Frederick county, Md., to reside on a farm. Mr. Detrick and his accomplished young daughter, Miss Jane Detrick, are quite frequent Orange visitors and have scores of friends here, who will regret exceedingly to learn that they have gone out of the State to live. We trust that they may come to see us so often in the future as in the past, and we wish for them unbounded success and happiness in their new home.—Orange Observer.

The following is the program of the Brentsville District Sunday School Convention to be held at Eastern Seminary, Nokesville, Sunday, Sept. 7th, at 2:30 p. m.

1. Devotional, I. A. Miller.
2. Organization.
3. The Teacher Problem, Sept. 8th, Miss Estelle School.
4. The Sept. in the Sunday School, J. A. Seese, Hebrew Seminary.
5. The Sept. Outside the S. S. H. Wood, Sept. Greenwash School.
6. Needs of a Country School, Wm. Kirtin, Adams School.
7. Notification, Hilda I. Fisher.
8. County Organizations and its Purpose, President H. U. Hoop.
9. Home Department Work and Experiences, Mrs. Emma Miller, Valley School.
10. Closing Schools in Winter, Sept. Brentsville School.
11. Help and Encouragement, O. H. Ross, Oakdale School.
12. Hooping Pupils, Alabama Armstrong, Nokesville School (Methodist).
13. The Factor and the Sunday School, East Hill School.
14. Temperance Teaching in the Sunday School, I. U. Wittig, Sept. Nokesville School (Lutheran).
15. General Discussion and Remarks.
16. Adjournment.

Mr. Floyd, accompanied by his sister, Miss Elma, and his mother, who have been spending the past week in Manassas, left Monday for their home in San Antonio, Texas, stopping over in Culpeper to attend a dance there Monday night.

CATHARPIN'S BIG EVENT SATURDAY

BETTER CLASS OF HORSES ENTERED THAN EVER BEFORE—EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR THE LARGE CROWD EXPECTED.

With all final arrangements made and everything in readiness for the Catharpin Colt Show which will be held this coming Saturday, the people of Prince William and surrounding counties await the dawn of Sept. 6. From every direction this exhibition is looked forward to with great interest and the management fully expects one of the largest crowds ever assembled in the upper part of this county. The prizes for the best horses in this part of the country.

Although the entries closed last week, post entries have been flooding in on Man. W. M. Buckley, and in every class the entry will be much larger than ever before. The class of horses, taken as a whole, are far above the type that is exhibited in many shows, and with the competition very keen, and judges of the very best standing in attendance to pick the winner, each class should prove a feature in itself.

The show grounds have been changed this year and have been laid out on a much better piece of ground, everything being more suitable to those interested in the show and those who will attend, and it has been arranged so that the public will have every possible convenience at their command. Everything in the eating line and refreshments of every description will be found on the grounds.

Mr. Buckley is to be congratulated on the success which has attended the shows given at Catharpin, and all praise should go to him for the hard work and time he has spent in an earnest effort to make this colt show one that will be long remembered and one that will again attract the public for many seasons to come.

Mr. Bicknell says that his success came from his own careful supervision of every detail of the work and from putting on the market nothing but the very best product. He says, and it is true, that the man who makes a success of anything must stick to his business and give it a careful study.

At the present time after eight years work this farm presents a different appearance and the whole country appears to be white to one approaching. The flock now has about 2,500 hens and pullets with a large number of smaller chicks and during the coming year the flock of hens will be increased to about 4,000. For housing the hens large houses with open fronts are used and litter is provided here in the form of wheat straw. Wheat grown on the farm comprises a large part of the ration and Mr. Bicknell makes it his business to produce all the grain feed on his farm. Each of these houses will care for from 100 to 200 hens. A large incubator house was erected last winter and an incubator with 3,600 capacity was installed and used during the season. This will be increased to 8,400 capacity during the coming winter, as Mr. Bicknell expects to do a large day-old-chick business. With very little effort this

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TOPICS OF THE TOWN

Mackall Ellis spent Sunday and Labor Day at his home near Greenwich.

Dr. H. U. Roop preached in the Bradley M. E. Church last Sunday evening.

J. P. Lion, of Manassas, left this week for Norfolk on a short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brown were Baltimore visitors for a few days this week.

Miss Elizabeth Buck, of Bristol, is the guest of Miss Ella Garrison this week.

Mr. Giddings, of Leesburg, was the guest of his uncle, E. B. Giddings, this week.

John Wilcoxon and Will Cather spent Labor Day with the camping party at Occoquan.

Douglas Merchant, of Alexandria, is spending several days with his parents this week.

Miss Lillian Leachman left Monday for Washington for a visit to friends and relatives.

Thomas Gulick, of Washington, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gulick this week.

R. M. Jenkins returned Sunday night from Orange, where he has been spending his vacation.

Miss Theda Waters, of Washington, spent the week-end with friends and relatives in Manassas.

R. Allen Merchant, of Richmond, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. R. W. Merchant this week.

Joseph Gulick returned this week from Chicago, where for the past few months he has held a position.

Miss Susie Shaner, who was the guest of Miss Bet Elliott, returned this week to her home in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Gathmann, of Washington, spent a few days this week with friends and relatives in Manassas.

R. H. Hettlinger, of Washington, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Wenrich for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gregory and family expect to move into the J. A. Morgan property on Main street this week.

John L. Elliott motored to Washington and Baltimore Saturday and attended the races at Timonium on Labor Day.

A number of Manassas people attended the racing amusements at Burkes Station on Labor Day. A big crowd was in attendance.

Mrs. Frank Smart and son, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Merchant, returned Sunday night to their home in Washington.

Mrs. R. L. Groff and two daughters, of Washington, are the guests of Mrs. Groff's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Merchant this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hurdle and son, Jack, of Washington, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. B. Davis over Labor Day.

Harry P. Davis and Miss Mary Adams returned the first of the week from their automobile trip to the camping party, which is holding forth near Boyce, Va.

Mrs. J. E. Jordan, who has been spending the summer in Chicago, arrived in Manassas last Sunday evening. She was accompanied by Mr. Jordan, who joined her in Charlottesville.

The Georgia Minstrels, which gave a performance here last Friday night, was well attended despite the fact that a heavy downpour of rain started at the beginning of the show and lasted throughout.

Mrs. V. H. Billmer met with a very painful accident last Saturday when she tripped and fell from the back porch of her residence near Bristow, and fractured her shoulder. Although the injury is very painful, she is doing well at this time.

H. C. Ryckmah was a guest of F. H. Pickett, of near Haymarket, Sunday.

John W. Hall, of near Gainesville, was in Manassas on Tuesday on a short visit.

A. W. Williams, of Brookland, D. C., was the guest at the home of G. W. Rosenberger Sunday.

Miss Julia Lewis, who has been spending some time at Virginia Beach, arrived home this week.

R. H. Davis motored to Washington from his home at Bristow and spent several days this week.

Mrs. Guv Allen returned home Tuesday after spending a week visiting friends at Timberville, Va.

George C. Round will attend a meeting of the State Normal School Board at Fredricksburg tomorrow.

Hereafter, until springtime, the evening services at the Manassas Baptist Church will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

Ernest Ransdell leaves this week for Spencer, N. C., where he has accepted a position in the machine shop of that place.

President H. U. Roop, of Eastern College, made a trip to New York and Connecticut this week in the interest of the College.

L. Frank Pattie returned this week from the Valley, where for the past two weeks he has been a member of a camping party.

Mrs. W. N. Merchant leaves today for Washington, where she will be the guest of friends and relatives on an extended trip.

S. T. Weir, who painfully injured his ankle last week, is now improving slowly with the injured member encased in a plaster cast.

C. A. Heincken, of Haymarket, was a Manassas visitor one day this week and transacted some business matters while in our town.

Dr. Quarles goes to-day to Calverton to sit on a Presbytery for the examination of a young man as a candidate for the Baptist ministry.

Misses Gertrude and Dorothy Button entertained a number of their friends at a delightful dance last Monday night at their home in Manassas.

Miss Marie Simpson, Herman Bonney and Anna Rucker, of Clarendon, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Davis over last Monday.

Mrs. Earl P. Warfield and children, of Washington, who have been spending the summer at the home of S. T. Hall, will return to their home Saturday.

Tom Lion and Marshall Hayden motored to Occoquan this week and spent a few days with the young ladies and gentlemen who are making their annual camp at that place.

Miss Mary Rosenberger is visiting friends at Mt. Rainier, Md. Miss Nellie Rosenberger accompanied her as far as Washington where she has accepted a fine position.

Henry King, of Catlett, has rented Mrs. Milnes' property on Center street and will move with his family October 1st, by which time the property will be ready for occupancy.

Mrs. F. E. Garrison left last Monday for Baltimore, where she will spend a week with her sister, Mrs. M. E. Woodson. She was accompanied to Washington by her daughter, Miss Mary Garrison.

A great improvement has been made this week in the narrow alley in the rear of the Prince William Pharmacy and the post-office. A stretch of cement walk has been laid from the opening at Battle street to the corner in the rear of the Drug Store, greatly improving the condition of the alley in every way.

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Bennett H. Puryear, of Culpeper, spent Sunday with relatives near Bristow.

John Cowhig, of Washington, was in town last Monday on a short visit to friends.

Miss Hilda Mertz, of Nokesville, has as her guest Miss Minnie Kunetman, of Pittsburg, Pa.

Hopkins Candy Factory, which is again shut down for a few days, but will resume operations shortly.

Mike Lynch, Jr. of Alexandria, spent a few days in Manassas with friends and relatives this week.

Charlie Bell, of Washington, was the guest of friends and relatives in Manassas for a few days this week.

Miss Julia Nicol returned this week from Ocean City, Md., where she has been spending some time.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Waters and son spent Sunday and Labor Day with friends and relatives in Manassas.

Mrs. H. F. Tomkins returned to Washington this morning after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. H. T. Davies.

Mrs. J. A. Morgan returns this week from a visit to friends and relatives in Baltimore and parts of Maryland.

John Hynson and Tom Lion will motor to near Boyce, Va., and spend Sunday with a camping party there.

Will Lynch, accompanied by his cousin, Mr. Mellen, of Alexandria, spent Labor Day with Mr. Lynch's family here.

Don't forget the time, place and the admission to the big ball game on Monday afternoon—Indians vs. Clifton, at 3:30.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Waters arrived here this week from Richmond and will make their home here with their friends.

A number of Manassas people thoroughly enjoyed a delightful straw-ride last evening. In the neighborhood of twenty were in the crowd.

Miss Nettie T. Ardella, of Washington, accompanied by her niece, Miss Edith T. Ardella, of Baltimore, were Manassas visitors over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hynson and family and Miss Bessie Walker have returned from a two weeks camping trip to the Valley near Boyce, Va.

Ike Florence, of Norfolk, a former Manassas boy who is now connected with W. S. Shannon, was in town visiting friends for a short while this week.

W. H. Lipscomb, who has been spending a two weeks' vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Lipscomb, returned this week to his position in New York.

Plans are being made to hold the September German either next week or the following week. Invitations will be sent out in a few days, and a large crowd will undoubtedly be present.

We are glad to state that the condition of John Akers, who was operated on by Dr. W. Fewell Merchant last Friday, is improving and doing as well as could be expected. We hope for his speedy recovery and return to health.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a dime social at the residence of Mrs. George C. Round on Tuesday night next, Sept. 9th. Mrs. Button, who has been corresponding secretary of the union and is about to leave for her new home in the West, will be present and glad to see her friends once more in social friendship.

Lightning struck the home of John W. Hall, near Gainesville, last Friday during a storm. No place could be found on the building where the lightning struck, although it ran down through the walls and burst through in several places, breaking a transom over a door and crashing a mirror. It stunned several members of the family, but not seriously.

Miss Mary Larkin returned yesterday from Inlet, Va., where she has been visiting for the past several weeks.

Richard Hayden, who is confined to his home near Manassas with a case of typhoid fever, is slowly improving.

Dr. H. U. Roop will preach in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Dr. T. Wolfe, a former Manassas dentist, came up from Washington this week and spent several days with former friends and acquaintances.

John A. Nicol brought to this office yesterday a fine specimen of an Elberta peach grown by the Potomac Fruit Growers Club, of Paw Paw, Va.

Miss Dorothy Button leaves Saturday for her new home in Indiana. She will be followed by the other members of the family a few days later.

Last Monday night a new mayor and councilmen were qualified at Haymarket, the following being the men chosen to serve for the next term: Mayor C. E. Jordan; Councilmen: W. R. Tulloss, J. C. Wise, C. L. Rector, G. W. Smith, A. R. C. Bass and James Beale.

CLIFTON

H. N. Payne has been on the sick list the past week.

Luther Payne, of Manassas, visited friends here Sunday.

Miss Dawson is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Williams.

Mrs. Effie Green is on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Kinchen.

Miss Julia Ford made a flying trip to Manassas the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Graffman were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey the past week.

Quite a number of persons attended the Labor Day picnic at Burkes on Monday.

Wade Davis, of Washington, was the week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Woodyard.

W. H. Richards and his sister, Mrs. Cooke, are visiting at Niagara Falls and other points in Canada.

Dr. J. L. Sanford has been on the sick list for some time, but seems to be somewhat better at this time.

G. T. Gander has returned home after spending several days with relatives in Luray and Page counties.

The annual picnic given by the Presbyterian Sunday School was held on Dr. W. E. Edwards lawn last Wednesday.

Miss Rita Dorsey has returned to Chicago after spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Dorsey.

R. W. Woodyard moved his stove mill from here to Springfield this week where he has a large tract of timber.

Miss Elizabeth Ryan, of Washington, spent several days with her friend, Miss Ruth Richards, at Red Gables this week.

Misses Pearl and Ruby Payne, who have been visiting relatives and friends in Manassas and Bristow, have returned home.

J. H. Tourlet, of Chicago, after spending several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Dorsey, has returned home.

Monara, Emer Balkon, Frank Purvis, Chris Purvis and Miss Sadie Purvis were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Cooksey.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Armond have returned to their home here, after spending several weeks visiting relatives and friends in Madison, Ind.

OCCASIONAL

Cough or cold

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BRISTOW, VIRGINIA

Auction Sale

On account of moving to Richmond, I will offer at Public Sale, at my residence in Manassas, Va., on

Saturday Morning, Sept. 6th

beginning at 10 o'clock, the following household goods: Oak Bedroom Set, good as new; 1 Velvet Couch; 1 three burner Coal Oil Stove and Oven, in good condition; 1 tight Heating Stove; 1 Walnut Hall Rack, in good condition, and numerous other miscellaneous articles.

TERMS—All sums under \$5.00 cash. Over \$5.00 credit of six months time will be given, purchaser to give interest-bearing, negotiable note with approved security.

MRS. R. W. MERCHANT.

SOME PROFIT FROM EGG FARM

Continued from first page.

reason he shipped 5,000 that made him over \$500. He has just started to a large brooder house.

numbers of the pullets are getting out into the woods and make most of their living this way. Mr. Bicknell, the help of one man, cares for his flock and does all the feeding and marketing of the eggs and chickens.

MEETING MADE PROFITABLE. Mr. Bicknell's quality of eggs are kept for laying and breeding purposes. The thing in Mr. Bicknell's mind to produce an A-1 product the next was to get it to the market.

A very delightful surprise party was given at the home of Mrs. W. Wood on Monday night, in honor of her guest, Miss Maggie Robertson, games of all kinds were played. Among those present were: Misses Katie and Mary Coker, Myrtle and Grace Holtzclaw, Mamie and Sarah Nails, Nana Rene and Etta Rector, of Haymarket, Mary Thompson, of Washington, Nellie Grant, Helen Thornton, Annie Taylor, Maggie Robertson, Messrs. John and Raymond Ellis, Frank and Douglas Cockerill, Harry House, Hunton Washington, Curry Smith, Edward Carter, Don Rector and Albert Utterback, of Haymarket, Frank Mayhugh, Oakley Taylor, Atlee and Charlie Wood, Willie Armstrong, Raymond Nails, Lewis Mayhugh, Beverly Leck, Tommy Cook and others. At 8:30 refreshments were served. All adjourned about midnight, reporting quite an enjoyable time. Hope we will have the pleasure of calling on Mrs. Wood again.

A. M. T.

Mackall Ellis is expected home next week on a two weeks' vacation.

Mrs. William Davidge and Mrs. Oscar Mountjoy were the guests of Mrs. Edward Taylor Thursday evening.

Mrs. William Davidge and son, Will, left Friday for their home in Washington after spending some time at the Grove.

Those visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Reid last week were: Misses Julia Sweney, Helen Thornett, Vera Fraile, of Washington; Jennie Hall, Mary Gough, of Buckland; Miss McIntyre, of Winchester; Miss Lucile Taylor, and Prof. Markwood and sister, Miss Jessie, of Nokesville.

Miss Mary Reid entertained on Monday night in honor of her guests, Misses Helen Thornett and Vera Fraile, of Washington. Games of all kinds were indulged in until quite a late hour. At eleven thirty the guests were invited out to the dining room which was brilliantly lighted and decorated with cut flowers, ice cream, cake, candy, bananas and grapes were served in abundance. Miss Jessie Markwood entertained the crowd with some very fine music accompanied by her friend, Miss McIntyre. Among some of those present were: Misses Mary and Katie Cokerill; Helen Thornett, Vera Fraile, Mary Thompson, of Washington; Elsie and Mary Dunlin, Anna Mayhugh, Nellie Grant, Mary Gough, of Buckland; Myrtle and Grace Holtzclaw; Jessie Markwood, Lucile Taylor, Miss McIntyre, Ella Hicks and Mrs. House, Messrs. John and Mackall Ellis, Leslie Sanders and Thurston Brown, of Buckland; Lewis and John Mayhugh; Bobb Lewis, Ernest Reid, Robert McLearn, Mr. and Mrs. Banner, of Washington. At one o'clock the guests said good by to their hosts wishing that she will entertain again in the near future.

Greenwich

Miss Anna Mayhugh left Monday for Washington where she will spend three weeks with her sisters.

Mr. James Grant, of Washington, spent Sunday at the home of his uncle, Mr. Henry House, of Greenwich.

Miss Maggie Robertson, of Woodside, has been spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. Wallace Wood, at this place.

Miss Grace Helm left on Thursday to be operated on for appendicitis. We are to learn she stood the operation so well.

The field day held here last Wednesday was quite a success. The game between Catharpin and Greenwich was quite an interesting one, the score being in the ninth inning; in the ending of the thirteen inning the score being 6 to 7 in favor of Catharpin.

Last Excursion to Season to Washington

Monday, Sept. 16th, via Southern Railway. Tickets on at all stations from Barboursville to Manassas inclusive; also Calverton and Warrenton inclusive. Special excursion rate will be operated in each direction. An unusual opportunity to spend a day in the Capital City.

For fares, schedules, etc. consult agents or write L. S. Brown, Gen. Agt., Washington, D. C.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE

Under and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of the County of Prince William, Virginia, in and for the County of Prince William, Virginia, in the case of the heirs of the late John W. Wood, deceased, et al., there is to be sold at public auction, on Monday, OCTOBER 15th, 1911, at 10 o'clock a. m., in front of the Courthouse, in the town of Manassas, Prince William County, Virginia, the following real estate:

The remaining portion of "Wayside Farm," about one half from Haymarket, and mainly located on the line between the Counties of Stafford and Prince William, Virginia, containing about ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY (130) ACRES, with a magnificent view of the Potomac River, and the city of Washington, D. C., and the Blue Ridge Mountains, and the Shenandoah Valley, and the State of Maryland, and the State of West Virginia, and the State of North Carolina, and the State of South Carolina, and the State of Georgia, and the State of Florida, and the State of Alabama, and the State of Louisiana, and the State of Mississippi, and the State of Arkansas, and the State of Missouri, and the State of Illinois, and the State of Indiana, and the State of Ohio, and the State of Pennsylvania, and the State of New York, and the State of Vermont, and the State of New Hampshire, and the State of Maine, and the State of New Jersey, and the State of Delaware, and the State of Maryland, and the State of Virginia, and the State of North Carolina, and the State of South Carolina, and the State of Georgia, and the State of Florida, and the State of Alabama, and the State of Louisiana, and the State of Mississippi, and the State of Arkansas, and the State of Missouri, and the State of Illinois, and the State 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ADJUSTING SCHOOLS TO FARM

Opinion Advanced That Country Boys and Girls Should Be Taught Rural Subjects.

Advocating that the boys and girls stay on the farm and at the same time teaching city subjects in their rural schools is contradictory. It is the boys and girls are taught one thing they cannot be expected to desire to do something else even if so advised.

Boys and girls in thirty-four schools in Wright county, Iowa, were asked what they desired to do. Of the 164 boys, 157 desired to leave the farm and 161 of the 174 girls desired to do likewise. But after agriculture and home economics had been taught for three years the same question was asked in the same schools. This time 163 of the 174 boys desired to stay on the farm and 161 of the 173 girls. This changing of an almost unattainable desire to stay on the farm seems almost miraculous. Yet it was done through making a change in the course of study, writes W. C. Palmer in the "Country Citizen."

Boys and girls will desire to do the things they have been taught how to do. Their interest is developed in the things they are taught. Agriculture and home economics are the things that boys and girls are most interested in to begin with. They are in a great agricultural and home economics laboratory.

The knowledge that they have when they come to school is on these subjects. Education to be the most effective must begin with what the children know.

ILLS IN TRAIN OF AVIATION

Sudden Ascent to High Altitude, and an Sudden Descent, Frequently Bring on Illness.

M. Bergot, a French aviator, after speaking of the conditions of the atmosphere in general, brings out some points on aviator's sickness. Aviators sometimes reach altitudes of ten thousand feet to ten miles, and here the effects on the ear such as humming or cracking noises are about the same as in a balloon, but the effect on the respiratory organs is different.

TO IMPROVE THE BLUEBERRY

Governmental Efforts Directed to Making Fruit an Artistic and Agronomical Product.

Blueberry patches, which used to be so numerous and so large that they were a feature of the landscape, have been divided until the blueberry is no more to be had for the picking and is fast becoming a luxury.

The basic United States government has recommended that it be cultivated and that for several years have been experimenting with the propagation and improvement of the blueberry.

Mr. Frederick V. Colville, who has been in charge of the work, has issued a little bulletin of directions for blueberry culture for the encouragement of persons interested in the culture of this fruit.

The blueberry plant will not thrive in rich garden soil. It needs an acid soil, a mixture of sand and peat, but must have good drainage.

SAHARA MAY BE RECLAIMED

No Obstacle There That Modern Engineering Art Could Not Easily Overcome, Says Report.

"The popular mind of the reclamation of the desert of Sahara is regarded as one of the most monumental tasks which could be undertaken, but a recent report of the United States Army, which was a well-known engineer who has just returned from abroad. It is a much simpler project than the draining and irrigation of Egypt."

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I am agent for the celebrated F. S. Royster fertilizer, the best in the South. The famous non-Magnesian Agricultural Lime, Ler's Rock and ground Pure Oyster Shell Lime for ground and screened. Also ground raw oyster shells, an excellent mechanical condition assuring free flow from sprayer or drill. No bursting of the very best and cheapest Agricultural Lime on the market.

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Those who suffer with kidney backache, urinary ills or any little kidney or bladder disorder, want kidney help. Who can better advise than some Manassas resident, who has also suffered, but has had relief. Manassas people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Here's one case and there are many others.

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