

LEAGUE TO MEET MONDAY EVENING

Secretary Announces Important Law-Enforcement Session Here January 7.

(H. A. Knevels, Secretary)

We will announce a regular meeting of the Law Enforcement League to be held on Monday, January 7, over the National Bank of Manassas, at 10 o'clock a. m. All officers and committeemen of the Law Enforcement League and all ministers of the county are urged to be present as important business is to be considered.

According to Biblical traditions about thirty-eight centuries have passed since Moses descended from the midst of the lightning and thunder and smoke of Mt. Sinai bearing the tablet of stone on which Yahwe had graved the Decalogue of the ancient Hebrew. For thirty-eight centuries a portion of mankind has been regularly breaking those laws of Moses, or seeking to evade them, even though all civilized governments during the centuries have sought to enforce them. But because they have been imperfectly enforced should we seek to discard those laws? Should the law against murder be revoked because governments have been unable to completely abolish homicide? Because nations have been unable to entirely stamp out the crime of theft, should we repeal the law against it? And so on with all the other crimes of the calendar?

But such is the specious argument used in the nation-wide propaganda against the prohibition law by those who would bring about its nullification or repeal. Because it has not been enforced perfectly it should be consigned to limbo, is the way the wets tell it. But to be fair and square about the question, does not the enforcement of the prohibition law, which has been on the statute books of the nation less than four years, compare favorably with the enforcement of any of the laws which have come down from the time of Moses? The friends of the Eighteenth Amendment do not ask for centuries to demonstrate practical enforcement. All they ask is the brief period it requires for the panorama of one generation to pass in review, the average life of man, a third of a century. In that time the victims of the saloons will have passed away, to be seen no more. The rising generations will know little and care less about intoxicants. By that time officials who fail to do their duty in the enforcement of law will be replaced by men who respect their oath of office.

In the news columns we read that Mrs. Susie Cleveland Youmans, of New York City, a sister of Grover Cleveland, who was visiting her daughter in Chicago, is, according to an interview in the Chicago Tribune, four-square for prohibition. She is for it economically, viewing it in the light of what is best for the country as she sees the light. She is for it personally, quoting St. Paul, "If meat make my brother to offend I will eat no flesh while the world standeth." "The liquor question today," she said, "stands in my mind like the slavery question did in the old days. Slavery had to be done away with."

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MAN BOILED IN VAT

Body of Watchman at Extract Works Recovered Sunday.

Boiled until the victim's feet dropped off in his shoes, Charles Courtney, aged fifty-one, met a horrible death Sunday in one of the large acid vats at the Gardner Extract Company's works at Waynesboro - Basic. Courtney was employed at the plant as a watchman, and when he failed to return home for dinner a search was instituted. About four o'clock his body was fished out of the vat. He leaves his wife and eleven children.

Although steam had been cut off as usual on Saturday night, enough heat remained in the acid to roast Courtney's body almost beyond recognition. The exact time when he fell into the vat is unknown. His watch had stopped at 11:10 o'clock.

"LORNA DOONE" COMING

Old Romance to Be Shown at Dixie January 7 and 8.

Heralded by critics throughout the country as Maurice Tournier's "greatest masterpiece" and "a thrilling dramatic spectacle of unrivalled beauty," the screen version of "Lorna Doone" will be shown here at the Dixie Theatre on Monday and Tuesday.

Tournier's fictionization of Blackmore's famous novel has attracted world-wide attention and for once the critics have forgotten to complain that "the picture is nothing like the book." While the novel has been decidedly condensed in the film version, all the main dramatic episodes which have made the book a "best-seller" for three generations have been retained and the spirit of the times has been faithfully reproduced.

For the fan unfamiliar with the novel, "Lorna Doone" offers an evening of exciting entertainment for the love story works out to a triumphant ending only after tremendous conflicts in which life itself is the stake. A spectacular fight in which one man matches his wits against the strength of a whole band of outlaws and the burning of the Doone village after a bloody battle are "thrillers" that would satisfy anyone.

To the book lover, the student of English classics and the educator, the coming of "Lorna Doone" will be a rare treat. Tournier has earned a reputation as an educator in the film industry and his screen versions of classical books and plays have been marked by such artistry that they have won permanent places in the film libraries of schools, churches and community houses.

In the Valley of the Kings.

The rotogravure section of The Washington Star for Sunday, January 6, will contain a full page of the latest work at the tomb of King Tutankhamen, in the Valley of the Kings. These remarkable photographs are of great interest at the present time on account of marvelous finds recently made by the Howard Carter expedition. Order your copy of next Sunday's Washington Star from your newsdealer today.

County Treasurer J. P. Leachman has been in Cape Girardeau, Mo., for the holidays, as the guest of his sons-in-law and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Allen L. Oliver.

STEPS IN DARKNESS FROM TRAIN TO RIVER

Unknown Man in Army Uniform Swims to Safety from Icy Waters of Rappahannock.

An unknown young man wearing an army uniform early Wednesday morning stepped from the rear of a train standing on the railroad bridge over the Rappahannock river at Fredericksburg and disappeared into space, a few minutes later being swallowed up in the icy waters of the Rappahannock, according to a first-page news story in the Free Lance of yesterday. A terrified train porter gave the alarm, police headquarters was informed and members of the train crew hastened to the river bank with lights. Several minutes later the missing stranger was discovered in the cab of the locomotive, calmly drying his wet uniform.

The soldier, after taking the fall of about sixty feet and landing in water over his head past the second bridge pier, nonchalantly swam ashore, with the presence of mind characteristic of Uncle Sam's fighters, and landed several feet below the bridge, where he was swept by the tide. The express pulled out, with the passenger still aboard the locomotive, after a delay of only ten minutes for the exciting experience.

The young man opened the coach door himself and stepped out to get a breath of morning air, according to railroad officials, not knowing that the end of the train was on a bridge over the river.

BROADDUS—CROWE

A quiet marriage took place in Alexandria Saturday evening at 7 o'clock at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. Robert Brown, when Miss Margaret Eckford Crowe became the bride of Mr. John Thomas Broaddus. Miss Macon Broaddus, sister of the bridegroom, and Mr. Howard James, of Washington, were present at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Crowe, of Starkville, Miss. She has been a student of Eastern College and formerly taught in the conservatory of music there. Mr. Broaddus is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Broaddus, of Manassas, and has lived in this section since childhood. He is employed at the National Bank of Manassas. The young couple will make their home for the present with the parents of the bridegroom.

GRANT—DYE WEDDING

A quiet wedding was solemnized in Washington, D. C., at high noon on Monday, when Miss Edith Dye, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Dye, of Roseville, and Mr. William Jennings Grant, son of Mrs. Thomas N. Grant, of Washington, were married by Rev. Edward Hayes, of the Petworth Methodist Church.

The bride wore blue crepe de chine trimmed with lace and beads, and carried a bouquet of sunburst roses.

After the ceremony the happy couple left for a short honeymoon trip through eastern Virginia, the bride wearing a tan tailored suit, with hat and gloves to match. They will return to Washington to make their home.

Mr. Charles Lawson, of Elmira, N. Y., has been the guest of his father, Rev. Henry Lawson, near town.

BRIDGE FESTIVITIES MARK HOLIDAY SEASON

Mrs. Margaret Lewis, Mrs. Harry P. Davis and Mrs. Jamison Among Hostesses.

Many Bridge festivities marking the holiday season in Manassas.

The Acacia and Friday clubs were entertained on Friday afternoon by Mrs. Margaret Pringle Lewis, of the Friday club, at her residence in West street, the players engaging five tables. Highest score honors went to Mrs. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, of the Friday club, and to Mrs. Lewis Frank Pattie, of the Acacia club. A two-course luncheon was served.

Mrs. Harry P. Davis, of Grant avenue, was hostess to both clubs on Saturday, having four tables of Bridge and additional guests. Miss Mary Larkin won highest score honors for the Friday club, and Acacia honors went to Miss Katharine Lewis. A delightful luncheon was served.

Mrs. Howard W. Jamison entertained the Acacia club at her home in North Main street. Mrs. Bruce Hynson won the prize.

The Tuesday Night Club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, at their home in Grant avenue, the Bridge being postponed from Christmas night to Thursday night.

Mrs. James R. Larkin, of West street, will entertain at a Bridge luncheon today.

ADAMS—SMITH

A quiet wedding was solemnized at Springfield, Fairfax county, at five o'clock on Christmas day, when Miss Eleanor Grace Smith and Mr. Charles Henry Adams were united in marriage. The ceremony, which took place at the home of Mr. Walter Smith, brother of the bride, was performed by Rev. J. Royal Cooke, of Greenwich, pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Adams returned to Manassas on Wednesday, to the home of the bride's relatives, Miss Nettie Smith and Miss Maggie Smith, in West street. Mr. Adams, who is a native of Clifton, is engaged in the jewelry business here. Mrs. Adams who has been teaching at Brentsville, will return to her school for the remainder of the session.

"THEY BRING RESULTS"

LOST — Brown handbag. Initials G. H. B. inside. Pair of glasses, black vest and box with embroidered linen scarf. Georgia Berry, Manassas, Va. 32-1*

This ad appeared in The Journal last Friday afternoon and before the sun went down the finder of the bag knew where to seek its owner. At one o'clock on Saturday the bag found its way to The Journal office and a little later was restored to its owner.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation of the kindness of our neighbors and friends during the illness of our wife and mother, and for their kindness and sympathy when she passed away.

M. M. Russell and Children.

Mrs. Howard W. Jamison visited in Baltimore, Md., for the week end.

RETIRES AFTER 36 YEARS

Fauquier Treasurer Ends Long Term of Service.

Hugh Hamilton, eighty-two years old, after serving as treasurer of Fauquier county for thirty-six years, retired January 1. Mr. Hamilton was elected to succeed E. G. Edmonds in 1887 and has been re-elected without opposition for the eight consecutive terms since. He is one of the few survivors of the Black Horse Cavalry. He and Mrs. Hamilton, who was Miss Belle Vass, of Culpeper, celebrated their golden wedding three years ago.

When Mr. Hamilton decided to retire on account of age, four candidates announced themselves for the office. The successful contestant was Eppa S. Cox, who took the office on Tuesday.

DEATH OF MRS. RUSSELL

Aged Independent Hill Resident Buried New Year's Day.

Mrs. M. M. Russell died on Sunday at her home near Independent Hill. She had been ill about seven months and for three weeks had been in a critical condition. She was in her eightieth year.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday at Oak Grove cemetery by Elder W. M. Smoot, of Occoquan, who took his text from the eleventh chapter of John. The pallbearers were Messrs. Andrew Kincheloe, Eli Kincheloe, Bence Cole, Charles A. Barbee, Thomas Holmes and Robert Cornwell.

Mrs. Russell, who before her marriage was Miss Jeannette Keys, was born December 8, 1844, at Occoquan. At the age of eleven she moved with her parents to their place near Nelson's mill. She was married to Mr. Russell, December 22, 1878, and up to the time of her death made her home within two miles of Independent Hill.

She is survived by her husband and by three sons and a daughter, Messrs. Thomas M. and James M. Russell, of Canova; Mr. G. Cleveland Russell, of Agnewville, and Mrs. Ruth Russell, of Minnieville. She also leaves ten grandchildren, one little grandchild (Walton, baby son of her granddaughter, Mrs. Max Weber), two sisters, Mrs. Sophia Abel, of Quantico, and Mrs. Nellie Posey, of Hoadly, and two brothers, Mr. Jack Keys, of Dumfries, and Mr. Evandon Keys, of Joplin.

MIDDLEBURG PASTOR'S CAR AND GARAGE BURN

Gasoline Can Found Near Scene of Fire—Pastor Heads Law Enforcement League.

Rev. H. C. Marsh, Methodist pastor and militant president of the Law Enforcement League of Loudoun county, suffered the loss of his automobile and the garage adjoining his home, when both were burned a few days ago in a fire that Leesburg authorities believe was of incendiary origin. A car that had contained gasoline is said to have been found near the garage following the fire.

Rev. Mr. Marsh on account of his prohibition activities has received several anonymous warnings, and several attempts have been made on his life.

Mrs. C. E. Nash, Mrs. Lucy A. Cocks, Mrs. George B. Cocks,

MARINES LEAVE FOR CARIBBEAN

Quantico a Deserted Village with Sea Soldiers Away on Winter Maneuvers.

Three thousand Marines embarked Wednesday on the transports Henderson and Chaumont at Quantico for the Caribbean to act as an accompanying landing force for the nation's fleet of one hundred warships which have steamed from their stations for the winter maneuvers at Panama. Quantico is like a deserted village, with only enough men to act as camp guards until the return of the force early in March.

The force which left Quantico includes infantry, light and heavy artillery, tanks, a strong aviation detachment, a signal detachment, equipped with wireless telegraph and telephone apparatus of the latest and most powerful type; machine gun organizations, automatic rifle companies, trench mortars, a chemical warfare company and a sapper and engineer detachment. Brigadier-General Eli K. Cole as commandant of the base, is in command, Brigadier-General Smedley D. Butler being on a year's leave of absence as director of public safety in Philadelphia.

When assembled in southern waters the fleet will consist of fifteen battleships, four light cruisers, sixty-three destroyers, eleven submarines, one airplane carrier, one airplane tender, four destroyer tenders, three submarine tenders, five layers and thirty-three train vessels, including repair, fuel and hospital ships, and attached to it will be eighty-seven airplanes. The fleet will be under the command of Admiral Robert E. Koontz.

The maneuvers will consist of tactical exercises planned to test the strength of the Panama canal defenses, in which the Army, Navy and Marine Corps will participate, and to test the practicability of attacking and defending a fortified land base by a force of marines in conjunction with a naval force.

COLORED COUPLE SHOT

Man and Wife at Dumfries Fired on from Ambush.

Walter Nash, colored, and his wife, Gussie, were taken from Dumfries to the Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg on Sunday, both suffering from the effects of gunshot wounds which they received on Saturday night, says the Fredericksburg Free Lance. According to the man, he and his wife had been visiting near Dumfries, and were walking back from a dance, when, without warning, they were fired upon at close range. The full load from a shotgun, fired by an assailant from behind a clump of bushes, took effect. The man received a number of shot in his arms and legs, but was protected from more serious injury by a heavy overcoat. His wife was seriously injured in the abdomen and about the face, arms and legs. Their assailants escaped through the woods.

The victims of the shooting were taken to Quantico. An operation was performed on the woman Sunday afternoon.

Mr. F. E. Randall, of Washington, visited friends here this week.