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WILLIAM EWING DIES SUDDENLY

Found Dead in Bed Tuesday Morning at Metz's Inn—Burial at Yonkers.

William Cox Ewing was found dead in his room at Metz's Inn, about 10:30 a. m., Tuesday. Mr. Ewing was born at Lancaster, Ohio, October 8, 1856.

Mr. Ewing was a graduate from the University of Wooster, Ohio, in 1879. Thereafter he spent some years in Washington, then still a territory, where he owned and edited a newspaper at Mt. Vernon.

Mr. Ewing never married. After his father's death, which occurred in 1896, he lived with his mother and an unmarried sister in Yonkers, New York, until his mother died in 1919.

Mr. Ewing was a devoted member of the Presbyterian Church from early manhood. He was very companionable, and because of his high christian character and his friendliness and his remarkable fund of information, he was admired and loved by all who knew him well.

Death came wholly unexpected as he had been in his usual good health. Apparently he died in his sleep, without warning or pain.

Funeral services were held in the Presbyterian Church, at 1:45 p. m., yesterday, the Rev. W. A. Hall officiating, and the remains were taken on the 2:26 train to Washington, where services were held this morning from the Central Presbyterian Church, of which he was a member, conducted by the pastor, Rev. James H. Taylor, after which the body was taken to his old home in Yonkers, N. Y., for interment.

KIWANIS CLUB HOLDS INTERESTING MEETING

Colonel Archer Holds Members Spellbound in Address on Sanitation Friday.

The Kiwanis Club had a most interesting evening at its last meeting. The routine business of the club was transacted during the meal and after the business of the evening was completed the President presented to the club Colonel John Archer of the National Trade Extension Bureau, who addressed the club on the subject of Civilization and Sanitation.

Colonel Archer held the members of the club spellbound for nearly an hour. His talk was illuminated by many personal reminiscences. During the Great War Colonel Archer was in the Intelligence Service of the A. E. F. Immediately after the close of the war he was sent, first, to Russia, next to Turkey, and finally to Arabia. In each of these places he had ample opportunity to study conditions not only as they existed at that time, but also as they existed in times past.

TO HOLD CONFERENCE

Following a precedent established just prior to the extra session of the General Assembly last spring, Governor Harry F. Byrd has invited newspaper men from all parts of the state to a conference Monday when he will outline to them his plans for legislation to continue his governmental reform program.

HAS SMALL DEATH RATE

Warwick Has Lowest Per Thousand of Any County in State.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 30.—Warwick has the smallest death rate per 1,000 of the total population of any county in the state, her deaths averaging 5.85 per cent of every 1,000.

Carroll, Russell, Greene, Floyd, and Patrick are next with a death rate of 7.52, 7.53, 7.85, 7.86, and 7.95 respectively per every 1,000 persons. Twenty-six counties have a death rate of less than 10.00 per cent of every 1,000 persons.

James City with a death rate of 25.74 of every 1,000 persons has the highest figures in the state. Dinwiddie is next with a death rate of 20.91 of every 1,000 persons. Sixty-six counties have a mortality rate of more than 10.00 per cent and less than 20.00 per cent of every 1,000 of the total population.

TOWN COUNCIL IN REGULAR SESSION

Town Sells Rural Electric Lines to Rivers and Streams, Inc., For Sum of \$13,000.

At the regular monthly meeting of the town council Monday night the offer of Rivers and Streams, Inc., to purchase the rural electric lines and equipment for the sum of \$13,000, was accepted.

The matter of burying space in the local cemetery for inmates of the District Home was discussed but no account of insufficient room, was declined.

Councilman Davis reported the installation of the police dog, and that the Telephone Company would have to make a small charge for the use of a drop at the telephone switchboard, and the town is to pay the sum of \$2 per month for the drop.

Councilman Davis also called attention to the importance of a night sergeant for the next few months, and it was ordered that a night man be appointed for a period of three months, beginning December 1. The selecting of a suitable party and the salary was left with Mayor Sinclair.

The question of parking on Center Street was discussed and an ordinance was submitted, Councilman Davis moving that same be adopted. The motion was lost. Then Councilman Whitmore offered a motion that the present parking ordinance as effecting Center Street between Main Street and Grant Avenue be rescinded. This motion was also lost.

The request of Mr. Corum for an increase in salary of \$25 per month was referred to Councilmen Davis and Parrish for their recommendation.

The following councilmen were present: C. A. Sinclair, chairman, E. G. Parrish, H. P. Davis, D. J. Arrington and M. Bruce Whitmore.

The meeting adjourned to meet in regular session Monday night, December 26.

CATON-COLLINS

Miss Gertrude Lee Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Collins, of Marble Hill, became the bride of Mr. Charles Ford Caton, of Gainesville, Wednesday—a week ago.

The nuptial ceremony was performed at the home of the officiating minister, the Rev. J. Royal Cooke, of Greenwich.

Mrs. Caton is employed at Jenkins & Jenkins and was formerly employed, for several years, by the telephone exchange here.

DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Frederick Harlan Gregg, the third son of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Gregg, who was born January 31, 1874, at The Plains, died Monday at George Washington University Hospital of pneumonia.

Funeral services were held Wednesday from the Baptist Church, the Rev. Westwood Hutchison officiating, with interment in the cemetery at Herndon by the side of his wife who died twelve years ago.

The pallbearers were R. M. Jenkins, J. C. Goode, DeWitt Herndon, W. E. Trusler, E. M. Roof, and R. A. Hutchison.

DEPARTMENT PROTECTS SHEEP

Increase Due Primarily to Curbing Depredations of Worthless Cur Dogs.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 30.—Information received from the Federal and State Departments of Agriculture indicate a noticeable increase in the number of sheep being raised on Virginia farms during the last eight-year period. An important factor in this increase, in the belief of State Game Commissioner A. Willis Robertson, is the activity of the county wardens throughout the State.

Since 1918 the Virginia Game Department has been charged with the enforcement of the dog law. Virginia farm statistics, gathered from the sources already mentioned and published in 1927, show that from 1918 to 1926 horses in Virginia decreased from 394,497 to 314,141; cattle from 762,544 to 617,441; hogs from 501,948 to 295,218; whereas sheep during the same period increased from 268,406 to 309,077.

The above increase in the number of sheep is due primarily to the services of the State Game Department in controlling and curbing depredations by worthless cur dogs and in providing from the dog tax a fund for the payment of claims for damages to sheep by dogs. During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927, game wardens destroyed approximately 11,000 dogs, and during the past month of October, which is regarded as an off month for the crusade against worthless dogs, they eliminated an additional 800 curs.

Every roving and homeless cur dog is a potential sheep killer. If each of the worthless dogs killed during the fiscal year 1926-1927 had cost \$10 dollars, the economic and property loss to the State would have been \$110,000, which would have amounted to more than the combined salaries of the entire field force of the Game Department.

Any man now engaged in the sheep industry will gladly admit that it would probably be impossible to raise sheep in Virginia but for the protection afforded by game wardens, which service alone is worth more to the farmers of the State than the cost of the whole department. And, yet, not one dollar is spent from the general treasury of Virginia for the support of this department.

Virginia permitted its wild life to reach a distressingly low ebb before creating a state game department in 1916, but even in the short period of ten years and with limited funds, the department this fall is enabled to offer to the citizens of the state for a membership fee of from 1 to 3 dollars the privileges of one of the finest hunting clubs in the entire United States.

The game commission has made a study of quail, turkeys and grouse in other states of the Union and feels justified in claiming that the opportunity for taking all three of these splendid species of game birds in Virginia today is the equal of that of any state in the Union and Virginia exceeds that of any state north of the Mason and Dixon line.

CHICAGO MALE QUARTET

The first of the series of Swavely School entertainments will be presented on Friday evening, December 2, by the Chicago Male Quartet.

This excellent quartet is playing a return engagement. All who heard it last year were highly entertained. The quartet presents a great variety of selections ranging from classical to popular.

In the person of its leader, Mr. Robert Herrick, it has a fun maker par excellence. He is a pleasing baritone voice and is inimitable in many character impersonations.

The other members of the quartet are artists whose voices and personalities are admirably suited to one another.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION

Rev. Westwood Hutchison received a letter of appreciation, yesterday, from Mr. O. J. Sands, State Chairman of the Near East Relief, stating that \$142 had been collected for the cause at the union service held on November 20, at the Baptist Church.

WAVELY TAKES CLOSING GAME

Local Team Wrests Victory From Tech on Thanksgiving—Score 12-7.

The Swavely Preps football team closed its season Thanksgiving morning by beating Tech High of Washington 12 to 7 on their varsity field. The locals played mostly a strong defensive game, opening up in the first and third quarters to put the pigskin over Tech's goal line, while Tech's lone counter came in the final period. Lochrie was directly responsible for Swavely's first goal reeling off 40 yards around end and carrying it 20 yards on an off-tackle play for a touchdown the next play. Lochrie's end runs were one of the spectacles of the game.

The next touchdown came in the third quarter after Clark dropped on a fumble made by one of Tech's backfield men. Tarbutton, with his marvelous ability to buck the line, took the pigskin for three plays straight and brought it within scoring distance. On the next play Lyons took the ball across the line for six more points.

Tech's lone touchdown came in the fourth quarter when the ball-toter came around the end and had a clear field.

Marringer, Tarbutton and Bassett starred for the white team on the defense, Barringer running down punts and nailing his man most every time, while Tarbutton and Bassett got in and threw Tech for a loss several times.

The Swavely team has had a very successful season this year, losing only one game. Their schedule was as follows: Swavely, 12, Bassett, 13; Swavely, 6, George Washington Fresh, 30; Swavely, 7, Randolph-Macon Academy, 0; Swavely, 13, Eastern H. S., 0; Swavely, 0, Tome, 46; Swavely, 18, Alexandria H. S., 0; Swavely, 12, Tech H. S., 7. Total points Swavely 111, opponents 62.

Barringer, who has played fine at end all season and who has acted as captain for most of the games this year, has been elected the titled captain of the season by his team-mates. It is the first time that the captain has been a first year man at the school.

Table with 3 columns: Swavely, POS, Tech. Lists players like Barringer, Grieshaber, Clark, Mears, Guy, Skinner, Denig, Aman, Lochrie, Arnold, Tarbutton and their positions.

Substitutions—Bassett for Grieshaber, Strong for Bassett, Bassett for Guy, Criswell for Arnold, Lyons for Criswell.

Touchdowns—Lochrie, Lyons, Krimelmeyer. Point after touchdown, Krimelmeyer.

Referee—Springston (American U).

Umpire—Reeves (Lafayette).

Head linesman—(Dartmouth).

AN URGENT APPEAL

Inasmuch as there are a great many children in the town and county who do not have as happy a Christmas as other children, I am again asking you good people who helped so much last year to make a search of your attics and send to me what discarded toys, dolls, clothes in way of hats, shoes, coats and sweaters, so that we may pass them on to the children in the town and county.

Last Christmas we gave toys and candy to 168 children, and as good people, we should not let these little ones go wanting on Christmas morning. You must act quickly if you want to help for the toys must be repaired and it will take quite a little while to have them properly placed. Please notify or bring toys to F. R. Hynson, chairman Kiwanis Christmas for children.

GUILD TO HOLD SALE

Ladies of the Trinity Episcopal Church guild will hold a sale of fancy articles at Dowell's drug store on Saturday continuing over through Monday.

WATER POWER DEVELOPED

Virginia is Twenty-Third in Development From Streams.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 30.—Virginia is twenty-third in the amount of water power she has developed from her streams, in comparison with the other states of the Union. Her developed water power today amounts to only 138,046, only 30 per cent of the amount which is potential. These figures are shown in the Statistical Survey of Virginia which is just being completed by the University of Virginia and released through the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce.

According to these figures, which were compiled for all the states at the same time, the average developed water power horsepower in the states of the Union is 244,187 and for the southern states, 207,603. The total developed water power is 11,720,983 horsepower, just 34 per cent of the available power in the United States.

ASK PROTECTION FOR DUMB BRUTES

Humane Society Solves Problem of Neglect to Animals Caused by Poverty.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 30.—With the coming of each winter, reports pour into the Humane Society at Richmond and to the National Humane Agent, of animals suffering from lack of proper food and shelter on farms in Virginia. Case after case, say these agencies, have fallen under the observation of their workers where mules, horses and cows have been turned out during the winter to subsist as best they may on the sparse pickings of frozen fields and swamps, frequently without any sort of protection from the weather.

Appeals to sheriffs, say these agents, frequently elicit no response, although specific cases are pointed out and although the enforcement of the humane laws is directly in line with the duties of these officials.

Section 4554 of the Code of Virginia reads in part:

Any person who overrides, overdrives, overloads, tortures, illtreats, or cruelly or unnecessarily beats or maims, mutilates or kills any animal whether belonging to himself or another, or deprives any animal of sustenance, food or drink, or causes any of the above things, or, being owner, permits such acts to be done by another, etc.—shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

The time has come, in the opinion of those directing the activities of the Humane Society, when every rightminded person and every progressive community, should awaken to their responsibility for the protection of dumb animals and beasts of burden, and they very earnestly suggest that careful investigations be made in every county for the purpose of ascertaining whether farm animals are properly conditioned and provided for against the approaching winter. In no case should wanton neglect, say they, be permitted to pass without protest.

The problem of what is best to be done where poverty is the cause of neglect can best be settled by the local community. They realize that there may be times when an arrest and fine might not help the animal or better conditions. In some instances, say they, it may be better to purchase the animal for a small amount and then put it humanely to death. Some way, they feel, should be found to keep dumb brutes from suffering from cold and neglect.

MRS. SHAFFER PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Elsie Shaffer died at her home near Nokesville on Friday, November 18.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist Church the following Sunday, the pastor, Rev. Mr. Smith, officiating, and interment was at Valley View Cemetery.

Mrs. Shaffer is survived by her husband, Mr. Dave Shaffer, her father, a brother, and several stepchildren.

TO GIVE PEACE LECTURE

A Peace lecture will be given at the Cannon Branch Church of the Brethren at 7:30 p. m., December 6, by Dr. J. M. Henry, Ph.D. Everybody invited.

DETAILS OF NEW CAR ANNOUNCED

Manassas Motor Co., to Hold Reception Tomorrow to Introduce New Car.

Manassas will get its first full description of the new line of Ford automobiles tomorrow.

A public reception to be held by its local dealers, The Manassas Motor Co., is part of the national introduction of the new Ford models. In thousands of communities all over the United States tomorrow this new line of moderate-priced light automobiles will be introduced to millions of people.

The doors of the show rooms are to be opened promptly at 8 a. m. and attendants will be on hand throughout the remainder of the day to explain the new and interesting features of the car which is expected to make a new chapter in automotive history.

The new Ford cars are said to be the product of several years of study and planning by Henry Ford and his engineers in the great Ford laboratories at Dearborn. Mr. Ford himself has announced that "there is nothing quite like the new Ford car" and has stated that it will prove just as great a pioneer in the present field of low price light cars of quality as the famous Model T was a pioneer in its field for more than nineteen years.

Among the visitors to the reception tomorrow will be many city officials, executives of business, civic and professional organizations and other leaders in the life of the community, who have been specially invited.

The performance of these new cars, it is said, will be starting when viewed in the light of automobile performance.

Local dealers have been notified by Ford officials at Detroit that the factories throughout the country are now preparing to produce the new cars in numbers exceeding even the tremendous production records achieved in the manufacture of the Model T line.

Company officials at Detroit also repeated their early announcement that production of the new Ford line will not make the Model T line obsolete. The manufacture of new parts for Model T Replacements will continue to be an important factor of the Ford plants as long as any of the Model T cars are still in operation, the local dealers were advised. Because of this policy, present owners of Model T Ford cars will be able to keep their cars in perfect order as long as those cars remain in commission.—Adv.

RECEIVE TAX ON PISTOLS WITH ENTHUSIASM

Proceeds Will be Used for Care of Diseased and Crippled Children.

It is unusual to speak of any tax as being received with enthusiasm, but such is the case with the recently created tax on pistols and revolvers. The proceeds of that tax will be used for the care of diseased and crippled children, and the reports from the country and city tax collectors show that the idea back of the tax has already met with sympathy and approval.

This is certainly not strange when one considers as a single illustration of the work being done for crippled children, the annual report of the Capital District of Kiwanis International.

Individuals examined, 2273; plasters applied, 722; cases sent to hospital, 304; educational training, 18; visits by nurses, 3168; examinations made, 5934; treatments, 7032; operations performed, 365; vocational training, 9; physiotherapy clinics, 74; number of pieces of apparatus supplied, to patients, 641. A total of \$120,472.76 was spent.

That shows the great need of the children, the Kiwanis being only one of many organizations aiding towards helping them.

To the public the work possesses always strong appeal. So after all it is not remarkable that those who pay it will feel and offer no objection to the tax on pistols and revolvers.