

TAKE THE LEAD

Every Southerner reads with gladness the marvelous, yet truthful, stories of the South's industrial and commercial progress.

But in one respect the South is a laggard. In one respect she is not near the head of the procession of progress.

Seventeen States are the leaders. Many others lead the South, but those seventeen lead them all, and it is in the very front rank that the South must take its place.

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Virginia expended in 1911 \$4,726,000; \$28 per capita would have entailed an expenditure of \$17,746,000.

The South expended less than \$80,000,000 for common schools in 1911; \$28 per capita would have entailed an expenditure of \$170,000,000.

Is the education and training of a Southern child worth \$23 a year? What is a child worth anyway? It is worth \$23 and the people of the Southern States believe it is worth \$28, appearances to the contrary, notwithstanding.

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The entire country is waking up to the necessity of improvements and have flooded the market with bonds of schoolhouses, courthouses, roads, bridges, water, sewers and electric lights.

Recently an election was held in Mexico, and because so few voted the election is declared void. Now, suppose the same rule were adopted in the United States.

These farms are in a high state of cultivation, well fenced and watered, and are clean and smooth. Each has plenty of timber, schools, churches and mills convenient and daily mail.

Four miles north of Gainesville on the Southern R. R. (Harrisonburg Division), in Prince William County, Va., I own three farms which I will offer for sale.

W. A. BUCKLEY, GAINESVILLE, VIRGINIA

PARAGRAPHS

How easy it is to learn things that are not worth knowing. The pen is mightier than some criminals who try to break out.

Many people are so incredulous that they would question the veracity of an epitaph. The worst of it is, Uncle Sam will have Mexico for a neighbor always. She cannot move away.

As you have been blest let it measure your Thanksgiving blessing to others. To manifest the goodness of your heart to your friends, send them this paper for one year.

It is not the bubbling, effervescent man that accomplishes the most in this world of ours. Judged by results he is extremely deficient. It is the comparatively silent but really strong and forceful men to whom society is indebted for progress.

At the national meeting of National Association of Tanners at Chicago President John E. Wilber said that while the tariff would probably lower the price of leather scarcity of labor and the duty on articles necessary to prepare green hides would make prices higher.

Charles E. Hughes, of New York, for president. Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa; William B. Borah, of Idaho, or a Progressive of their type, for vice-president.

President Wilson's Cabinet stands firmly behind him in his efforts to force the retirement of Provisional President Huerta.

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First---The men in control.

Second---The PAID UP CAPITAL STOCK.

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\$129,000.00

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Big Cut Sale! BUGGIES ESPECIALLY

Also on Manure Spreaders, Queen Harvesters and Farming Implements of all kinds, Wagons, etc. THIS SALE IS FOR SIXTY DAYS ONLY. Don't miss your chance for Bargains.

F. A. Cockrell & Co.

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High Class Groceries and Meats.

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Feeds.

Fish and Oysters every week.

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HAVING determined to devote my whole time to the Real Estate and Insurance business, I hereby solicit all property for sale and request those having property for sale to list same with me promptly. I promise to deal fairly with all and will give the business my best attention.

Yours to Serve, C. J. MEETZE, Manassas, Va.

EXCELLENT ADDRESS GIVEN AT CATHARPIN

ON 'THE NEEDS OF OUR SCHOOL'

Visitors Play Good Clean Game of Football—Victory Due Largely to Flukes—Score 26 to 18.

By MRS. EDITH SANDERS. When asked to write an article on 'The Needs of Our School,' the subject loomed up so big and broad in my mind, that I was perplexed to know just what part of it to choose.

At first thought, it might seem that with the completion of this beautiful building of which we are all so proud, and for which we have worked long and patiently, that our school was complete, there was nothing more to be desired.

But after we go into detail, I think you will agree with me that even with two beautiful, brightly lighted and ventilated rooms, it is not perfect yet.

This sounds almost like lack of appreciation for what has been done, but it is not that. When we think of the poorly lighted, crowded building that gave way to this, we are grateful.

When we go into other parts of the country and see some of the dilapidated, old-fashioned school houses, our hearts are more grateful, and when people tell us, as I have been told, that in their levels they have seen no rural school to match ours, we are so proud with pride that it cannot be expressed.

But my hearers let us not sit with folded hands, thinking that everything is complete. I think that we have seen that our children are tidy and watchful, that they are neat and clean, that they are obedient and respectful, that they are intelligent and ambitious, that they are brave and true, that they are kind and generous, that they are honest and upright, that they are patriotic and loyal, that they are brave and true, that they are kind and generous, that they are honest and upright, that they are patriotic and loyal.

Mr. Wycher-Grove, Secretary of the Art of Story Telling—Delights Old and Young Alike.

On Monday evening Mr. Richard Thomas Wycher, editor of the Story-Teller Magazine, and organizer and president of the National Story-Teller's League of America, gave an entertaining lecture at Eastern College before a large and delightful audience.

Mr. Wycher gave the history of the revival of the old art of story-telling interspersed with charming stories which pleased the old and young alike.

He told how at the summer school of the South, at Knoxville, ten years ago the teachers there banded themselves together into a league, known as the Story-Teller's League, the purpose of which should be for the remembrance of those delightful hours and for the purpose of passing the idea on to others.

Out of this came the great story-telling movement of America.

Educational people over all the land are now becoming interested in it, knowing it to be not only a universal means of entertainment, but the most profound method of teaching.

By this means the literature of all the world and of every age may become familiar to all the people, for by the story is literature first understood.

His is briefly a wonderful gift, nature's simple direct in statement, earnest to a degree, yet full of dramatic power and sympathetic depth as he relates folk tales, children's stories, fairy lore and the greatest literature stories of the world.

The great Remus stories, the stories of Hiawatha and his own beautiful story of the little boy's visit to Santa Claus gave his audience special delight Monday evening.

Through him were new beauties in literature pointed out, through his stories were possible a new in the recreation of the old romances, the study and love of literature from the human standpoint.

HIGH SCHOOL TEAM DEFEATS WOODBERRY

LUCK FAVORS MANASSAS BOYS

Visitors Play Good Clean Game of Football—Victory Due Largely to Flukes—Score 26 to 18.

Springing the gridiron surprise of the season, Manassas High School football team defeated Woodberry Forest second eleven here last Monday on Round Athletic Field, winning handsily by the score of 26 to 18.

The victory was due largely to flukes, which came at the most critical moments and to the breaks of luck, which every time favored the local aggregation.

Confident of the victory form the start Woodberry received the kickoff and at once began to carry the ball down the field at a steady gait, straight to the first touchdown, which came after a few minutes of play. They failed at goal. During the second period Round got away on a long end run for fifty yards which netted Manassas first score. Again in the same quarter he repeated the feat on a run around end this time for sixty yards and a touchdown. Both goals were made by Manassas. Woodberry scored again in this period but failed at the goal.

During the third quarter the ball zigzagged from one side of the field to the other for several minutes, when finally Woodberry worked the ball to Manassas twenty-yard line. A forward pass was attempted but was intercepted by Lynch who received the ball and dashed eighty yards for Manassas third touchdown. Each team scored a touchdown in the final period making the count 26 to 18. The boys from Orange tried hard to score again in this period. Realizing that defeat was almost certain, they began a series of cleverly executed forward passes, which took them from one end of the field to the other, where on the five yard line they failed to make distance and the game ended with the ball in Manassas possession.

Taking the game as a whole from start to finish, the visiting eleven showed to much better advantage in every department of football with the exception of their defense which at times was very ragged. They gave a clean exhibition of good football and had it not been for the prominent play of luck the score would have told a different tale.

Round and Lynch for Manassas were easily the stars of the game with their sensational dashes and each deserve much credit. Janney and Gregory showed to advantage in the line. Featuring Woodberry's play was their forward passes and end runs.

The officials were: John Hynson, referee; W. W. Garrison, umpire, and head linesman, Mr. Cabell. Time of quarters, ten minutes each.

DEATH OF MRS. ALMIRA CLARKE

On Tuesday, Nov. 11, after a painful and lingering illness borne with true Christian fortitude, there passed away the soul of Mrs. Almira E. Clarke, of Gainesville, whose mortal remains were returned to earth in the burial ground on the following Thursday afternoon, attended by the members of her family and a large concourse of friends and sympathizing neighbors as mourners.

The Rev. M. E. Eagle and W. P. Crow were the officiating ministers at the funeral. Dr. W. C. Perry, whose devoted attention to his patient all through her sufferings and has the sincere thanks of the bereaved ones, was a pallbearer with the five sons.

HON. C. J. MEETZE

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SUPERVISORS HOLD REGULAR MEETING

ROUTINE BUSINESS TRANSACTED

Board Passes Resolutions to Reorganize Council and Units with Other Boards to Test Validity of Act Approved Mar. 12, 1912.

The regular monthly meeting of the County Board of Supervisors was held at the court house last Saturday.

In re. Application for bridge over Powell's creek. The viewers filed their report, and J. L. Dawson was appointed a commissioner for that purpose to take measurements and advertise for proposals to construct.

The clerk of the board was appointed a commissioner to secure or renew insurance on the courthouse and jail as follows: \$5,000 on the courthouse and \$1,000 on the jail.

The Act of the Assembly approved March 12, 1912, has been attacked upon constitutional grounds and it is to the interest of the county to have validity of said act upheld. It is resolved that this board unite with the other boards in retaining counsel and bear expense of defending the act as to rates in the county. It is to the interest of the commonwealth to bind the board to unite counsel with such other counties.

The bid of E. K. Bodine & Son for white oak lumber delivered at Harrison's ford bridge is accepted.

In re. footbridge at Wheatford, near Dumfries. The report of the viewers filed and G. M. Ratcliff, of Dumfries, was appointed commissioner to advertise for bids to complete footbridge.

Whereas the superintendent of roads for Manassas district found it necessary to cause certain timber to be moved on both sides of the road from Manassas to Millford on lands of Godfrey devisees it was deemed reasonable that \$12 be drawn by warrant for the said Godfrey devisees for land damages, this warrant to be in full for all costs and damages.

A warrant was ordered drawn and delivered to all county officers entitled to same for balance due.

TO BE WEDDED AT WILMINGTON, DEL.

NEXT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Miss Stella Elizabeth Waters, of Manassas, and Mr. Albert Moffett Crigler, of Baltimore, Formerly of Manassas.

An approaching marriage of great interest in this vicinity will take place this Saturday at Wilmington, Del., when Miss Stella Elizabeth Waters will become the bride of Mr. Albert Moffett Crigler, formerly of Manassas, now of Baltimore.

Miss Theda Waters, sister of the bride elect, the couple will leave here for the scene of the wedding on Saturday.

Miss Waters is the daughter of R. M. Waters and comes from one of Prince William county's oldest and most prominent families. For several years she was connected with the Public Schools of Manassas and has won the coveted name of being one of the foremost educators in this section.

For the past year she has held a position in the schools of Alexandria. Miss Waters is a lady of charming personality which has won her a place in the hearts of everyone.

Mr. Crigler was for many years a prominent business man of Manassas and at the present time is president of the Crigler, Camper Co. He is also associated with the firm of Daniel Miller & Co., of Baltimore.

After a wedding trip to New York City and other points the couple will return here and for a time will make their home in Manassas among a wide circle of friends.

MARRIAGE SURPRISE TO MANY FRIENDS

MISS KATE E. STROTHER A BRIDE

Married Quietly in Washington Saturday to Mr. Charles Temple Berry, a Prominent Business Man of Delaplane, Va.

Taking her many friends in Manassas and vicinity by complete surprise, Miss Kate Elizabeth Strother, of Markham, was married in Washington last Saturday, to Mr. Charles Temple Berry, of Delaplane.

The bride passed through Manassas early during the day in company with her cousin, Miss Martha Strother. After reaching the city, some delay was caused at the City Hall, as the bridegroom had reached the building an hour after closing time. Meeting the clerk in his way out, he was persuaded to issue the license, and then the trouble of having a minister put in appearance. After some delay, the services of Rev. G. W. Van Fossen were secured, and the marriage ceremony performed. The young couple expressed an eager desire to witness the football game between Georgetown and Virginia, which they did before they were wedded.

Miss Strother is the daughter of Mr. Thomas Strother of Markham, who is the owner of the farm lands formerly known as the Wellley estate, near Briarport. She is prominently connected with many Virginia families, and has many relatives in this vicinity. Part of her education was received in the local schools at which time she made a host of warm friends in Manassas.

The groom is a prominent young business man, of Delaplane, at which place the young couple will probably reside.

TURKEY DINNER AND OYSTER SUPPER AT CATHARPIN

There will be a turkey dinner with all the trimmings given at the Catharpin school house on Thanksgiving day, and an oyster supper at the same place in the evening. Everybody invited.

FROM RICHMOND TO WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT ANSWERS INQUIRIES

Statement of Progress on Proposed Great Highway—Portion of Road in Order—Work in Different Counties.

President Henry W. Anderson has received so many inquiries about the progress of the Richmond-Washington highway that he has set forth in good legal style just what has been accomplished in the work of constructing it.

After a conference with Captain P. St. Julien Wilson, State Highway Commissioner, President Anderson, of the Highway Association, gave out a memorandum, the greater part of which follows:

1. Between Washington and Alexandria, the principal portion of the road has been paved and is macadam road for the remainder, so that this may be regarded as fixed.

2. In Fairfax county, the board of supervisors petitioned for an election to authorize a bond issue of \$90,000 to construct two roads from Alexandria to Potomac church with bituminous binder.

This election has been held and the bond issue voted, consequently the road through Fairfax county can be constructed in first class condition without aid from the corporation. The United States government has authorized aid to this road to the extent of \$20,000 together with any surplus left over from the road between Spotsylvania and Newman's Mill.

3. In Prince William county the road has been constructed from Occoquan south about three miles. We have actually paid on account of this construction, \$1,400 to meet an equal amount raised by subscription in the county. Mr. Janney is in hand now about \$700, which is all that he can raise. If we meet this with an additional \$700 it will make our total appropriation to this district \$2,100, and will leave a shortage of about \$2,000 necessary to complete the road through this district.

In Dumfries district there is \$7,000 available of county and state funds and we have agreed to appropriate \$4,400 to this work, which would give \$11,400. The work will cost \$13,000 without overhaul, which will be approximately \$1,000 additional, or a total cost of \$14,000.

Captain Wilson and I agreed that we would meet the \$700 in Occoquan district with an additional appropriation of \$700, bringing our payments up to \$2,100 and then meet Mr. Dawson and try to arrange for the completion of the work in that district, even if it were not done on the highest grade.

4. In Stafford county. Work is now in progress in Stafford county with a convict force. It will require about \$6,000 from this corporation to complete the northern end to the Prince William line.

5. Spotsylvania county. The city of Fredericksburg and the Automobile club there have arranged for the money to build the road from Falmouth to Fredericksburg. From Fredericksburg to Spotsylvania court house the road has already been constructed. From Spotsylvania court house south to Snell's Bridge, the road has also been constructed and the work is now in progress with convict force southward from Snell's Bridge to Partlow's. The United States

TO GET KNOWLEDGE

EVERY MAN SHOULD EXERCISE MIND BY THINKING

Learning Comes Through Our Senses, Which Are to the Mind and Body What Reporter is to Newspaper.

Whatever knowledge we have we have obtained it in two ways, Thomas Dray writes in this feature. The first is inheritance. The second is acquisition.

Our senses are to the mind and body what reporter is to a great newspaper. Each has its own field of activity.

Let us use our newspaper figures to illustrate. If a newspaper employed the greatest staff of reporters in the world, if each one had no superior anywhere, if each wrote stories and articles that had never been equaled, if the stories sent in were such as to command the interest of the entire city—these reporters did all and were all things and these articles were printed in the paper in the most attractive and logical manner, and the papers were then stored in a vault in the basement, would that newspaper have any influence, would its circulation grow, would its readers clamor for space in its columns?

HAD ADVERTISED THEIR DADS

Strange to Say, Fathers Were by No Means Pleased With the Youngsters' Work.

Two youthful suburban aspirants who belonged to families where little brothers and sisters had been donated by the family physician, decided to enter a little side line of business one afternoon.

One of the youths was the son of a well-known doctor while the other was the son of a prominent tailor.

The two lads were very chummy, and this afternoon they decided to launch upon a little advertising expedition. A sales brush was the means devised to accomplish the advertising and the lettering was quickly but delicately traced over any smooth surface of wood or stone encountered on the way.

After office hours in the evening the doctor was having his customary chat with his son and during the time he asked: "And what have you been doing today, William?"

SPACE RESERVED FOR THE The Birmingham Stock Farm Manassas, Virginia

NOW, WHO HAS DIRTY HANDS? Yours Are Only Relatively Cleaner Than Those of Your Neighbors, If You Reflect.

Whole Family Benefited By Wonderful Remedy There are many little things to annoy us, under present conditions of life.

Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills to relieve the strain on the nerves. Mrs. J. B. Hartsfield, 33 Corbett St., Atlanta Ga., writes:

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY. Court Judge J. H. T. Thornton, Clerk of Court, Monday in February, 1918.

THE WINDS AND THE WAVES OBEY HIM Pastor Russell and Party En Route For Europe.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES. GRACE METHODIST CHURCH, SOUTH REV. E. A. ROADS, PASTOR.

MANASSAS, VA. Corner Battle and Church Streets. The Rev. J. P. Brown, Pastor.

UNITED BRETHREN Rev. Jas. W. Hartzfield, Pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m., every 2nd and 4th Sundays.

THE BROOKLYN TABERNACLE ISRAEL UNDER A NEW LEADER. ISRAEL spent thirty days in mourning for their great leader.

THE WINDS AND THE WAVES OBEY HIM. The storm on Galilee's Sea furnishes text for a discourse—Acts as well as words of Jesus Parabolic—His Disciples as Types—Quelling the Storm a Type—Also the Great Calm.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES. BAPTIST CHURCH REV. E. L. QUARLES, PASTOR. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ELDER T. S. DALTON, Pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

UNITED BRETHREN Rev. Jas. W. Hartzfield, Pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m., every 2nd and 4th Sundays.

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TRUSTEES' SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE. Under and by virtue of a decree entered in the chancery case of Robert A. Pearson, et al., vs. the Circuit Court of Prince William County.

THE TRICE-A-WEEK EDITION OF THE NEW YORK WORLD. This is a time of great events, and you will want to know accurately and promptly.

SEALING PROPOSALS. Bids will be received by the Town of Manassas, Va., until 7 p. m., December 3, 1918.

Southern Railway PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH. In effect, May 25, 1918. Schedule changes are not in effect until May 25, 1918.

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