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IMPORTANT MEETING OF TELEPHONE PATRONS

Many of the patrons of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, connected with the exchanges at Westminster, Taneytown, Union Bridge, New Windsor and Hampstead several months ago signed petitions to the Public Service Commission, protesting against the granting to the telephone company the right to increase its rates, and asking the commission to require the company to abolish its toll charges between the above named exchanges. The hearing of these and other questions in what is known as the telephone rate case has been in progress for a number of weeks. W. L. Seabrook, Esq., attorney for the Board of County Commissioners, representing that body and the above named petitioners, has participatel in this hearing and taken part in the examination of the officers of the telephone company, and when the evidence shall be concluded will take part in the argument before the commission. Growing out of the examination. Mr. Seabrook has received from counsel for the telephone company a letter submitting three alternative plans suggested by the company for the consideration of the protestants. After consultation the county commissioners, it has been concluded that it will be to the interest of the telephone subscribers to hold a public meeting to consider the whole question.

This meeting will be held at the with the county commissioners, it was Court House, in Westminster, on Thursday night, July 8th, 1920, at eight o'clock, Subscribers connected with the exchanges at Westminster Taneytown, Union Bridge, New Windsor and Hampstead are invited to attend this meeting, when the whole subject will be laid before them, in order that they may determine what further action shall be taken in the premises. The only way in which the consensus of opinion and desire of the telephone subscribers can be ascertained is by such a public meeting, and everyone interested is invited to be present.

RECEPTION TO NEW LUTHERAN MINISTER

On Thursday, July 1st, Rev. John B. Rupley, of Washington, D. C., who was called recently by the congregation of Grace Lutheran Church, this city accompanied by Mrs. Rupley, their son, and Mrs. Weiler, mother of Mrs. Rupley, arrived in Westminster to take charge of the work of the church. They were entertained at dinner by Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Handley, after which Mr. D. Sinder Babylon took them to the parsonage of the church in his auto, where a large number of the members of the congregation had gathered to give Rev. Rupley and family a hearty welcome, not only in words but with a donation of groceries, meats, jellies, fruit &c., which were piled upon the stone, tables chairs and anything in the kitchen upon which articles could be stacked.

Mr. Jacob H. Handley introduced Mr. Rupley to every one present who, in turn, introduced his family and within a few minutes after the introductions every one was apparently happy and pleased. Some of the male members of the congregation set about putting Mr. Rupley's furniture in position and the ladies assisted Mrs. Rupley to put the kitchen in shape.

Rev. Rupley, who is 30 years old, is a graduate of Pennsylvania College and Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary and his first charge was at Boonsboro, Maryland, after which he was called to a Lutheran Church in Washington and from there to Westminster. His father is also in the Lutheran ministry and is stationed at one of the largest churches in Philadelphia, Pa. Mrs. Rupley, whose maiden name was Weiler, is a native of Shepherdstown, W. Va.

Recently the trustees of Grace Lutheran Church had hardwood floor laid on the first floor of the parsonage and the whole interior papered and painted.

Anyway the Bachelors of Arts deserve their title when they get to flirting with the girls.

Now the question arises whether these Doctors of Philosophy just created by the colleges, can tell what is the matter with the lawn mower when it won't work.

A FORMER WESTMINSTER BOY RECEIVES A SPLENDID APPOINTMENT.

EDWIN H. LIVINGSTONE,
Secretary to American Consul General at Valparaiso, Chile.

Edwin H. Livingstone, son of Emily Grace Livingstone, formerly Emily Grace Weaver of this city, but now a resident of Chicago, Illinois, has been appointed one of the secretaries for the American Consul General at Valparaiso, Chile, South America, at a salary of $3000 a year, and on July 17th., will sail from San Francisco to assume the duties of his new position.

Young Livingstone left Westminster a number of years ago to join his mother in Chicago. Shortly after his arrival he received an appointment to the Great Lakes Naval Training School, where he remained for about one year, during which time he became fond of naval work. He then enlisted in the United States Navy, where he served for two enlistments and rose to the rank of Chief Petty Officer and Ship's Writer.

About one year ago young Livingstone was honorably discharged from the U. S. Navy and returned to his mother's home in Chicago, and shortly thereafter accepted a lucrative position with O'Conner and Goldberg the largest shoe house in Chicago. Life in a store, however, was not to Henry's liking. His services in the Navy had cultivated in him a taste for the Sea and the sights of foreign lands, and, unbeknown to his mother and his close friends he applied for a position as one of the secretaries to the American Consul General at Valparaiso, Chile, South America, and received the appointment.

During his service in the U. S. Navy Henry applied himself and what he lost in book work by joining the navy at a very young age was more than made up, and he gained invaluable experience in many other matters. On July 11th he will be 22 years of age, but he has had more valuable experience than many men twice his age.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

On June 19th several friends and neighbors visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Welch, in honor of Frank's 41st birthday. Among the many presents received was a handsome gold watch and chain. Miss Vaughn and Aulden Dobson sang several solos, also Miss Thelma Welch and Rev. J. N. Link played several selections on the piano, and last, but not least, the Oakland Cornet Band was present and played some lively airs.

The wish of host and hostess was and is come again.

The pea crop in this county is not up to standard.

On Thursday the quartermaster's Department U. S. Army sent two large army trucks to this city and a number of men and moved the household effects of Col. and Mrs. Clarence J. Manly to the railroad station. The goods, including the Colonel's auto., were loaded on cars and shipped to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where Col. Manly has been detailed.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mitten, of Philadelphia, are visiting Mr. Mitten's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Mitten, of E. Main street, this city.

Now the question is, can the cork trade subsist on the ginger pop business and the small boy fishing tackle trade?

The profiteers will defy the government for years, but they'll reduce prices in five minutes when they hear a report of over-production.

WEDDINGS

KIDD—DUVALL

The marriage of Miss Linda Elinor Duvall, of Sykesville, this county, to William Burton Kidd took place at Statewood, thi scounty, last Friday. Charles H. Kirby, of Baltimore, was the best man and only attendant. Mr. and Mrs. Kidd are spending their honeymoon at Atlantic City.

KESTER—YINGLING

Miss Jennie M. Yingling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Yingling, of this city, and Rev. Harold Kester, of Shickshinny, Pa., were married Sunday morning, June 27, 1920, at 8 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. J. B. Lau, of Baltimore. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom left for a trip through Pennsylvania. Upon their return they will reside temporarily with the bride's parents.

BURGOON—GRIEFENSTEIN

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Eli W. Burgoon, Manchester, was the scene of a very pretty home wedding, Saturday evening, June 26th. The bride Miss Minnie Frances Burgoon, the only daughter, entered the parlor with her father and met the groom, Mr. Charles Vernon Griefenstein, of Hampstead, who entered the parlor with his mother. Here they heard the marriage ceremony read by the bride's pastor, Rev. C. G. Leatherman, and made their promises to each other. The home was most tastefully decorated with ferns and flowers.

Immediately following the service the guests were invited to the dining room and were guests at luncheon. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Eli W. Burgoon, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burgoon, Mrs. Ellen Griefenstein, Mrs. Anna Rohrbaugh, Baltimore, Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Leatherman.

The newly weds left by auto for Atlantic City. Best wishes.

OBITUARY

ISAAC SMITH

Isaac Smith, of New Windsor, this county, died Sunday morning June 27, 1920, at the University Hospital, Baltimore, aged 71 years. Besides his widow he is survived by one daughter (Miss Carrie I. Smith at home) and three sons (George, Clinton and Roland Smith, of New Windsor).

The funeral services were held Wednesday June 30, 1920, at New Windsor M. E. Church, Rev. Parrish, officiating, and the interment was in Winter's Church Cemetery.

The pallbearers were John Smith and Frank Petry representing the Junior Order American Mechanics; Edward West and M. D. Reid, the I. O. O. F., and John Stone and James Walsh the Red Men.

Harvey Bankard and Son funeral directors.

IRVIN J. HAINES

Irvin James Haines died in Cleveland, Ohio, Friday, June 25, 1920, aged 39 years and 2 months. His body was brought to this city Sunday 27th, and taken to the residence of his brother, Mr. Wilbur A. Haines, 63 Pennsylvania Avenue, where services were held Monday 28th at 10 A. M. Interment was made in Meadow Branch Cemetery. The pallbearers were Messrs. Calvin Stambaugh, Summerfield Stambaugh, Charles Green, Elmer Green, Levi Wagner and Charles Bowers. The deceased is survived by his mother, Mrs. Andrew Haines, and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Charles Green, Mrs. Silas S. Strayer, Mrs. Calvin Stambaugh, Mrs. E. E. Thayer, Mrs. John M. Spicer and Mrs. Sheridan Coleman, and Messrs. George C Haines, Harry D. Haines, Wilmer A. Haines, Edward F. Haines and Louis A. Haines. F. A. Sharrer & Son, funeral directors.

MRS MARGARET V. KENDALL

Mrs. Margaret V. Kendall died at Pasadena, California, October 21, 1919, aged 83 years. Mrs. Kendall was a former resident of this city. The body accompanied by Miss Myrtle Oursler, daughter of William Oursler of this city, left Pasadena June 2d. and arrived at Westminster, July 2d. Interment was made in Westminster Cemetery. Services were held at the grave by Rev. Arthur Day. F. A. Sharrer & Son, funeral directors.

If an editor gets elected president, the office seekers will have to boil down their letters.

MARYLAND STATE TEACHERS MEETING AT OCEAN CITY.

Ocean City, Md., June 30.—The Maryland State Teachers' Association, in a resolution at its final meeting tonight, heartily congratulated Albert S. Cook on his election to the State superintendency and by a unanimous vote pledged him the support of its members. Appreciation of the work of Dr. M. Bates Stephens as State superintendent and regret over his absence at this convention were also expressed.

In an effort to arouse interest in the association and to secure larger attendance at the annual conventions, it was voted that a committee be appointed to secure the co-operation of the county teachers' organizations and to take other steps to make the association a more important factor in the educational system of the State.

Of 2,500, Only 500 Attend.

Approximately 500 teachers have attended the present session, while there are nearly 2,500 members. The high cost of living and the low salaries of teachers during the past year were offered by many, it was stated, as excuses for absence here.

Resolutions of regret on the death of John E. Edwards, and others thanking the outgoing officers for their work and the Maryland General Assembly for increasing teacher's salaries were also passed.

Emory L. Cobtentz, of Frederick, and Superintendent Frank B. Parson, of Ohio, were the speakers at the general meeting preceding the business session.

At the High School Teachers' Association meeting this afternoon an important step toward advancement in secondary educational methods was accomplished.

A program of high school course of study, not so rigid as the old course, but planned to suit the individual needs of students, was presented by Samuel M. North, State Supervisor of High Schools, and accepted. It provides for four courses of study—academic, commercial, general and vocational. The academic course meets college requirements.

Those Who Spoke.

Among those who participated in the discussion were: Superintendent Cook, Nicholas Orem, Easton: Robert A. Clark, Salisbury M. S. H. Unger Carroll county; G. Lloyd Palmer, Frederick; Miss Helen Houck, Harford county; Miss Pearl Eader, Frederick; Walter H. Davis, Westminster, president of the High School Teachers' Association, and G. Herbert Owens, Havre de Grace, secretary.

No action was taken on the proposed salary schedule for high school principals and assistants prepared by a special committee as a substitute for the schedule submitted by the State board last December. This schedule would give principal of Group 1 (school having between 40 and 70 pupils), who receive initial salaries of $1,500 and $1,800, and of Group 2 (schools having less than 40 pupils), who receive initial salaries of $1,200, and assistant, who receive initial salaries of $1,000, an increase of $100 a year for eight years if requirements for professional progress are met. In large schools it is also proposed to grant principals an additional $25 for each assistant over 10.

Committee Announced

The following committees for next year were announced by Mr. Palmer:

Legislative—Superintendent Orem, James W. Chapman, president Baltimore School Board; A. Leroy McCardell, Frederick county; Miss Ellen Logan, Baltimore county, and Wilmer J. Falls, Cecil county.

Educational Progress—Superintendent M. S. H. Unger, Carroll Co.; Principal E. C. Fontaine, Pocomoke City and Dr. E. F. Buckner, Johns Hopkins University.

Resolutions—Miss Sarah E. Richmond, Maryland State Normal School; Superintendent M. S. Wright, Harford county, and Superintendent Raymond Staley, of Hagerstown.

Superintendent George Fox, of Anne Arundel county, was selected chairman of the auditors, and Mr. David E. Weglein, of Baltimore; William J. Holloway, Baltimore county and Miss Eader named for three-year term on the reading circle committee.

The convention adjourned tonight and the teachers will leave here tomorrow.

This week, in Baltimore, 1920 wheat brought $4 per bushel.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

ORPHANS' COURT.

Monday June 28th.—The last will and testament of George W. Main, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted unto Margaret R. Main, who received warrant to appraise and an order to notify creditors.

Charles E. Houck, administrator of George A. Houck, deceased, received an order to sell personal proptery.

John L. Reifsnider, administrator d. b. n. c. t. a. of Jesse Reifsnider, deceased, settled his third account.

Jesse C. and J. Wesley Reese, executors of Andrew J. Reese, deceased, received an order to sell real estate.

Letters of administration d. b. n. c. t. a. on the estate of Sarah E. Roberts, deceased, were granted unto F. Neal Parke.

Robert W. Carter, administrator of James K. P. Carter, deceased, settled his first account.

Letters of guardianship of Mabel G. Billingslea, Sarah S. Billingslea and Charles Billingslea, infants, were granted unto the Westminster Deposit and Trust Company.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

Emily A. Herr, to Emily Weaver et al., lot, for $30.

Harry F. Frock and wife, to Scott A. Bair, several lots, for $5.

Charles Fuhrman and wife, to Dorothy E. Harman, 9900 sq. ft. for $5.

Charles E. Albaugh and wife, to Lucien O. Runkles and wife, 2 tracts for $10.

William A. Buerger and wife, to Collin Brown, 20 acres, for $10.

David H. Frankforter, to Gottlieb L. Schmidt, 5808 sq. ft. for $1900.

Frances A. Shaw et al., to James M. Stoner and wife, 43.6 sq. prs. for $1.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

William Burton Kidd, and Linda Eleanor Duvall, both of Sykesville.

Hirl Adelbert Kester of Batimore, and Jennie Marjorie Yingling, of Westminster.

Leslie H. Loval and Blanche M. Davis, both of New Windsor.

Charles Vernon Greifenstein of Hampstead, and Minnie Frances Burgoon, of Manchester.

William R. Lodue, and Mable A. Owings, both of Westminster.

Alvie Russell Fleagle, and Catharine Amelia Bowers, both of Uniontown.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

July 3rd, preparatory service at 2:00 P. M. July 4th, Holy Communion at 10:30 and 7:30. The pastor will preach. Spiritual Freedom in the morning, National Freedom in the evening. Bible school at 9:30. No preaching services July 11th. Sunday school at 9:30.

C. G. Leatherman, pastor.

UNIONTOWN LUTHERAN CHARGE

St. Luke: Sunday school, 9:30 A. M. Chief service, 10:30 and Holy Communion, sermon by pastor. New members received.

Mt. Union: Sunday school, 1:30 Sermon by pastor, 2:30 P. M. A welcome to all.

Rev. B. E. Petrea, pastor.

CENTENARY METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

9:15 A. M. Sabbath school. 10:30 A. M. Morning Worship. 8 P. M. Evening Worship. Wednesday—Prayer Meeting.

BOY KILLED BY PITCHFORK

Preston W. Oursler Succumbs After Unusual Accident.

Preston W. Oursler, 6 year old son of Bernard Oursler, a farmer residing in Baltimore county, near Hampstead, this county, died late Sunday night last at the University Hospital, Baltimore, as the result of an unusual accident.

Last Saturday afternoon the child was riding on the top of a hay wagon on his father's farm, when part of the hay fell from the wagon, throwing the boy to the ground. A pitchfork, which had been used in piling the hay on the wagon, dropped from the hay pile and stuck the child through the back, pinning him to the ground.

Young Oursler's screams attracted farm hands, who pried the fork from the boy's body. In an effort to save his life he was rushed to the hospital in an automobile and an operation was performed, but he failed to rally.

The funeral services were held Wednesday from the home of his parents and the interment was in Wesley Chapel Cemetery, near Hampstead.

GEORGE SHEPPARD COLORED KILLED BY HARRY GREEN COLORED

As the result of a gun and pistol duel, which took place Sunday evening last on the farm of Charles Beck, near Hood's Mill, this county, George Sheppard, colored, had his head nearly blown off and Harry Green also colored is in a Baltimore hospital, suffering from three bullet wounds inflicted by George Sheppard.

From some cause yet unknown George Sheppard and Harry Green, both of whom reside in the southern part of this county, met, Sunday last about 5 P. M., on the farm of Charles Beck, situated on the Washington road, about a mile north of Hood's Mill, and without any apparent reason began shooting at each other. Sheppard had a 38 calibre revolver and Green a double barrel shot gun belonging to Mr. Beck. Sheppard, who was hiding behind the house, succeeded in putting two bullets into the body of Green before the latter could get a shot at him. Finally Green made a dash for the house and ran Sheppard around it and then turned suddenly and went into the house and waited at an open window which he thought Sheppard would pass. He did not have to wait but about one-half a minute before Sheppard's head appeared above the window sill, when Green pushed his shot gun through the window and fired, striking Sheppard in the right jaw and killing him instantly.

A number of colored women, who were on the premises, were scared nearly to death and a colored man, named Costly ran away from the premises as soon as the first shot was fired.

Dr. Specher, of Sykesville, was sent for and upon his arrival pronounced Sheppard dead, bound up the wounds of Green and had him sent immediately to a Baltimore hospital.

State's Attorney Brown and Sheriff Bloom were notified and will shortly conduct an investigation. It is suspected that some home-brewed liquor was at the bottom of the affair.

MARYLAND COUNCIL OF DEFENSE RETURNS MONEY TO STATE.

General Francis E. Waters, chairman of the Maryland Council of Defense, Wednesday turned over to John E. Dennis, treasurer of the State, a check for $7,907.30, being the balance in full in the treasury of the Maryland Council of Defense. At the same time notice was given that there remains in the hands of the comptroller $99,905 of the first million-dollar war loan. General Waters also reported that the council had paid over to the War Records Commission, as directed by the General Assembly, the sum of $14,161.68. The total returned to the state by the council is, therefore $121,976.98.

In his letter to Governor Ritchie, General Waters says:

Following your esteemed letter of June 9, 1920, dissolving the Maryland Council of Defense on June 30, 1920, the executive committee held a meeting June 15 and wound up its affairs. We have this day turned over to the Treasurer of Maryland a check for $7,907,30, on the Union Trust Company of Maryland, being the balance in full remaining in the treasury of the Council of Defense, as shown by the report of the state auditor accompanying our communication. There remains in the hands of the comptroller the sum of $99,905 of the first million-dollar war loan. The second loan of a million dollars was not issued.

We have paid over to the War Records Commission as directed by the Act of 1920, Chapter 92, the sum of $14,164.68. We have disposed of our records, as directed by you and by Chapter 92, Act of 1920. The only accounts due the council are balances from the War Camp Community Service and from the Seed Fund, both of which have been turned over to the Board of Public Works.

With warm appreciation and deep sincerity we thank you for your great courtesy and your approval of the committee's work, and we unite cordially in our best wishes for your health and happiness.

Mrs. Harry Kimmey, of this city, is visiting Mrs. Gertrude Rider, in Washington, D. C.

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